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The Philippines Minister of Labor and Employment Blas F. Ople is due to visit the Kingdom Thursday at the invitation of Minister of Labor and Social Affairs Ibrahim Al-Angari, according to the Philippines Embassy in Jeddah. — Page 2

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Five Mozambicans have been sentenced to death and a British citizen to 20 years in jail for having links with a South African-backed rebellion against the Mozambican government. — Page 5

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The Chicago Bulls avenged their earlier defeat at the hands of Denver Nuggets in a hot-shooting match of the National Basketball Association. Orlando Woolridge, Reggie Theus and David Greenwood combined to offset Kiki Vandeweghe and Alex English's efforts. — Page 13

### Viet withdrawal

Leaders of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos announce an annual partial withdrawal of Vietnamese troops from Cambodia if security conditions allowed. — Page 16

## U.S. rules out ME. policy change

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP) — The White House, responding to criticism from Congress, maintained late Tuesday that President Ronald Reagan had not changed his Middle East policy despite his announcement that Washington would guarantee the security of northern Israeli borders.

In a speech here earlier to the American Legion, Reagan said the United States was "prepared to take all necessary measures to guarantee the security of Israel's northern borders."

Senator Charles Percy, head of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said after a White House meeting later that he had asked for a "clarification" and had been told by a national security council official there was "no change" in policy.

However, I interpret this as something of a change," Sen. Percy said, adding that he believed Reagan was trying to speed up future troop withdrawal from Lebanon by saying "we will assume a role" in keeping Israeli borders secure.

Congressional circles are worried that U.S. troops might be sent to southern Lebanon for this purpose.

In his speech Reagan did not specify what measures he envisioned to keep the borders secure.

## Gulf producers strike accord to cut oil prices

By S. Sidkun  
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Feb. 23 — Four oil Gulf states and Iraq have reached an agreement here Wednesday to cut their oil prices and call for an emergency meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) next week to be held in Vienna or Geneva. Though no figures were released on the volume of the proposed cut, the Iraqi Oil Minister Gassim Taqi told *Arab News* that he believes the new price will be in the range of \$30 a barrel.

After meeting for more than three hours here Wednesday morning, Ahmad Zaki Yamani, the Kingdom's petroleum minister said, "in principle there will be a reduction (in price)." He said that the group, which comprises the Kingdom, Kuwait, Iraq, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Qatar, have reached an agreement, "which will be spelled out according to circumstances if this happens, we'll do that, otherwise we'll do this."

Dr. Mana Said Al-Oteiba, oil minister of the UAE, said if the proposed OPEC meeting fails to reach an agreement on the price cut, "then the Gulf producers will reduce their prices more than we are prepared to do now." Oteiba and other ministers refused to comment on whether this means a threat of a price war. But Taqi made it clear to *Arab News* that the failure will make it inevitable.

able for the members to act on their own to protect their interests. Taqi revealed that Nigeria, which breached OPEC, official price last week, has been contacted and has agreed to attend the proposed consultative meeting.

The consultations which started here Tuesday between the Gulf states were expanded significantly when the Iraqi Oil Minister Taqi arrived to attend the morning session Wednesday. What is more important, the Libyan Oil Minister Kamal Hassan Al-Maqhour arrived too in the afternoon.

Conference sources told *Arab News* that Maqhour is expected to represent the Algerian and Iranian viewpoints since he was meeting with their oil ministers in Geneva recently. This view was supported by Yamani's statement that Oteiba and the Qatari Oil Minister Sheikh Abdul Aziz ibn Khalifa were leaving before the arrival of their Libyan counterpart, for they will be represented by Yamani himself. Later, Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah left in the evening leaving Taqi to participate in the negotiations, which will receive a new participant with the expected arrival of the Venezuelan Oil Minister Humberto Calderon Berth here Thursday.

Yamani said that he had contacted Dr. Subroto of Indonesia "who is in full agreement with me."

Before the start of the meeting, Yamani made it clear that the conferences were looking (Continued on back page)

## Gold prices take a tumble

LONDON, Feb. 23 (R) — Gold prices fell nearly \$20 in Europe again Wednesday while investors bought dollars as a safety measure in the face of uncertainty over anticipated oil price cuts, dealers said.

Gold, which recently traded at a two-year high of over \$500 an ounce, was fixed at \$470.25 in both London and Zurich Wednesday afternoon after trading earlier at \$468. It closed Tuesday at \$488.50 an ounce and has now slid nearly \$40 in two days.

Dealers said the stronger dollar and expectations that lower oil prices would reduce inflation and boost the U.S. economy helped to push gold down. They said speculators

were also selling gold as the price fell below levels they were willing or able to support.

Money dealers said the dollar was being helped by a feeling that it was a currency of refuge given uncertainty over the effects of an anticipated cut in oil prices.

Gold, normally a haven for investors in times of political or financial trouble, had risen after the failure of OPEC members in January to reach agreement on price and production policies for their oil.

Dealers said, however, that investors appeared to feel the benefits of an oil price cut for the world economy outweighed the (Continued on back page)

## Elizabeth suing paper for damages

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP) — Sick of intrusion into her family's private life, Queen Elizabeth II is suing Britain's biggest selling newspaper and an ex-palace worker in a Fleet Street scandalous ongoing.

The Law Society said Tuesday night that the high court will issue that day by the queen's lawyer Robert Clinton against *The Sun* and 20-year-old Kieran Kenny who sold the tabloid tidbits about Prince Andrew and Coco Stark is unique.

"We cannot recall a case of any monarch ever suing for damages from a newspaper," said society official Nicola Watkins.

Clinton told reporters: "I cannot give a figure for the amount of damages we are seeking." But Miss Watkins said they could be "very high" while another lawyer was

quoted in *The Sun's* rival *The Daily Mail* as saying damages could be "sky high."

Kenny left Buckingham Palace three weeks ago after working in the royal kitchens for 2½ years as a lowly 60 pounds (\$91.20)-a-week stores officer.

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**Harrier jets collide**

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP) — Two Royal Air Force jet fighters collided in flight over an open field Wednesday, killing two of the three crewmen aboard, the Defense Ministry said. The two Harrier jets crashed while flying at between 1,800 and 2,500 meters, about 6.4 kilometers north of Peterborough, a city in central England, the ministry said.

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With counting from the three rounds of last week's sparsely attended voting continuing Wednesday, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's Congress Party was winning easily as expected. Congress candidates had captured 77 seats in the 126-member state assembly, with seven others going to independents and five to minor parties.

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Prime Minister Dom Mintoff greeted the released hostages and met with them in the airport. It was not immediately clear how long the passengers would remain in Malta. All were Libyan except for one, an Italian businessman. There was no immediate word where the hijackers would go.

Mintoff, who personally conducted the

negotiations, assured the hijackers he would not send them back to Libya and told them they would not be prosecuted and could go to whatever country they chose.

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There were 154 passengers on the plane, including 132 men, 12 women, two of whom were pregnant, six children younger than 12 years of age and four other older children.

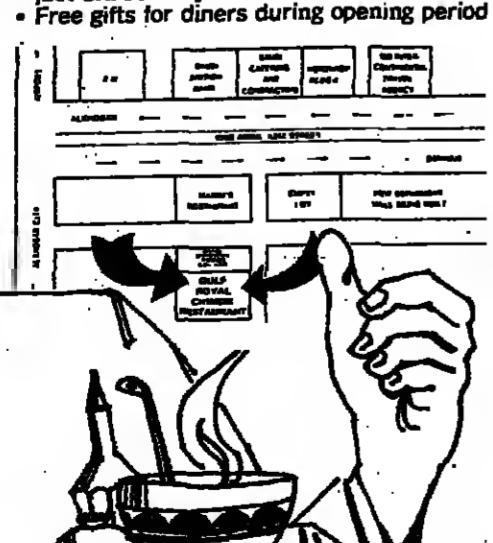
The crew included three men, and four stewardesses — two Yugoslavs, one Greek and the other from Malta.

The hostages were reported to be in good health after the incident but exhausted.

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**Specialized seminars set**

# Minister inaugurates water show Sunday

By Saeed Sheik  
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Feb. 23 — The Water Technology '85 exhibition, the first specialized event of its kind ever to be held in the Kingdom, will be inaugurated by the minister of agriculture and water and chairman of the board of directors of the Saline Water Conversion Corporation (SWCC), Dr. Abdul Rahman Abdul Aziz Al-Sheikh, at the Jeddah Expo Center on Feb. 27. The show will continue till March 3.

The water industries and services exhibi-

tion, which is organized by the Al-Harithy Company of Jeddah and Fairs and Exhibitions Limited of London, is supported by the Ministry of Agriculture and Water, the SWCC, and the Jeddah Municipality.

Fairs and Exhibition Ltd. executive director David Monk told Arab News nearly 200 companies from the Kingdom, the United States, Britain, France, Italy, West Germany, Denmark, Holland, Japan, Korea and Spain will display a wide range of technology, equipment and services useful for the exploitation of existing water reserves and for the development of new sources of supply.

Among the equipment and technology to be displayed are desalination units, drilling machines and tools, irrigation systems, measuring and control technology, pipes, recycling systems, sludge conditioning, water treatment and valves. Monk said.

"One unique feature of the show is that the SWCC is organizing a series of specialized seminars at the Prestige Hotel to coincide with the exhibition," he added.

In the three-day seminar starting Monday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., SWCC vice governor Issam Jamloom will speak on products and the program of desalination; Western Region director general engineer Abdul Aziz Nassief will discuss developments in the Western Region; engineer Essam Mardan of Jeddah Municipality will talk on the projects of the municipality and achievements in public services; Dr. Aadel Boshnak of Kawther will speak on the evolution and development of water sources and services, in addition to many distinguished speakers from King Abdul Aziz University, he said.



Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh

## Prince Naif seeks enhancement of Saudi Arabian consultants' status

MAKKAH, Feb. 23 — Interior Minister Prince Naif has directed all government departments, universities, ministries and corporations to examine the situation of foreign consultants and experts and the possibility of enhancing the status of Saudi Arabian consultants, Okaz reported.

The prince, who is also vice president of the Manpower Council, asked that questionnaires to this effect be prepared. The questionnaires were prepared by the council's general secretariat in collaboration with King Abdul Aziz University. He urged a speedy reply to the questionnaire, as the matter was of the utmost importance.

Questions include, for example, the number of Saudi Aravians and others in the teaching corps, at the university's research centers, the budget of the university and the services it has rendered in the field of consul-

tancy, who were the beneficiaries, the nature of the consultancy services rendered, who are the Saudi Aravians members of the teaching corps approached to give their advice (through the university, through the faculty or by direct contact), does the university think of incorporating the remuneration for consultancy services rendered to the private and public sectors in its financial resources, and is there a plan for so doing.

Prince Naif Monday presided over a meeting of the board of the Arab Security Studies and Training Center. The prince is also the board chairman. He gave his directives on how best to develop the center.

Dr. Farouq Muzad, director of the center, said that the meeting reviewed the center's activities last year and discussed the action program of the center. It was the first meeting of the new board.

## Miteb approves SR100m contracts in Riyadh

of more than SR100 million, Al-Jazirah reported.

The projects include the creation of Al-Murselat garden (SR6,568,195) by a national firm; the transformation of a farm at Al-Suwaidi district into a public park by a national firm (SR45,063,418); the construction of a tunnel at the intersection between Khuras Road and Al-Nahda street by a national establishment (SR49,881,359); and layouts to embellish the various parts of the capital (SR1,773,583).



**HEART SURGERY DISCUSSION:** The topic of heart surgeries and transplants being discussed by Professor Danton Cooley, head of the open heart surgery center at St. Luke Hospital in Houston, with Dr. Soliman Fakih, owner and director of Dr. Fakih Hospital during the American surgeon's visit to the hospital here Monday.

### Transplantation preferred

## Expert cites hazards of using artificial heart

By K.S. Ramkumar  
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Feb. 23 — Professor Danton Cooley, head of the open heart center at St. Luke Hospital in Houston, believes that the "best means of total replacement of the human heart is a heart transplantation and not an artificial heart transplantation."

In an interview with Arab News Professor Cooley described the operation done in Salt Lake City recently as a "permanent implantation." "I did not endorse that approach because of the quality of life the recipient would have to lead," he said. The approach was not humane, not justified.

Cooley said that it will be quite creditable for the group of surgeons if this man survives for a long period. He has been continuously in the intensive care unit attached to a big council of surgeons. The quality of life is not good.

In the meantime, the Associated Press reported from Salt Lake City that artificial heart recipient Barney Clark, with his weak lungs and kidneys slowly healing, spent part of Sunday sitting up in chair and watching television with his wife and daughter. His diseased and failing heart was replaced Dec. 2 with a plastic air-driven Utah heart.

The report said: "Clark, a retired dentist from suburban Seattle continued to mark his recovery with slow improvement from lung and kidney problems that forced doctors to return to the surgical intensive care unit last week. The 62-year-old Clark is still in fair

condition watching TV with his wife and daughter."

Cooley said he prefers a human heart to an artificial device as in the case of the former, the patient can get up and walk around and leave the hospital and go home. "The longest surviving patient was a heart transplant recipient who lived for 14 years — quite a remarkable thing," Cooley noted.

"In the case of an artificial heart transplantation, the patient has to be tethered to the device. But I believe that the heart transplantation is the best means of total replacement of human heart," Cooley said.

He indicated that there are going to be limitations on either of the approaches. The limitation in a heart transplantation right now is in procurement of enough donors. It is difficult to keep a supply of donors available, whereas artificial hearts can be mass-produced. The thing lacking in artificial hearts is a mobile power source. There may be some prospects with an electrical device or even the use of a nuclear element for the power source. Thus, both methods have certain severe limitations.

Cooley, who arrived here Sunday evening for a three-day visit to the Kingdom on his way to Cairo to attend a congress of cardiologists of the Middle East region, said he is utilizing his stay here to discuss with Dr. Soliman Fakih, owner and director of the Dr. Fakih Hospital for developing relationship between "his hospital and mine" for future development of new facilities in heart surgery and interchange of personnel.

"Hopefully, we'll have some of his men and women for training so that the training will help the hospital here," Cooley said adding. "The prognosis in patients after a heart transplantation has been greatly improved by the introduction of a new anti-rejection drug known as 'cyclosporin' and we are highly encouraged by the initial results with this medicine."

"The mechanical heart in my opinion is

### Entertainment gala for hospital patients

JEDDAH, Feb. 23 (SPA) — King Fahd Central Hospital here recently gave an entertainment gala for female patients hospitalized for heart disease or bone injuries, Al-Masake reported.

The hospital staff thought that those patients usually stayed for long periods at the hospital, hence the need for a change. The entertainment included contests and the showing of a film on child care and motherhood. The Al-Faisalia Women's Charity Foundation offered prizes.

## 6m chickens is Buraida farm production goal

RIYADH, Feb. 23 (SPA) — An SR150 million integrated poultry farm project set up at Buraida, in the Qassim Region, will produce an estimated six million broilers annually, it was reported here.

The project was executed by HVA Saudi Arabia Ltd. for the Arab Company for Livestock Development (ACLD), an intergovernmental joint venture.

It includes a hatchery, a rearing/breeding farm, a feed mill, a slaughterhouse and a rendering plant where the waste parts of butchered birds will be processed into feed.

ACLD Director-General Dr. Abdulla Thanayan said that the project would produce one kilogram broilers which would be deepfrozen and marketed in Riyadh and throughout the Qassim Region.

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## Officials told to enforce new rules without delay

MAKKAH, Feb. 23 — King Fahd has urged all ministries, government departments and corporations to implement the rules and regulations and official government instructions from the day of their issuance or from the date the relevant parts of such laws and decrees are published in the official gazette, and to be very accurate in executing them, Okaz reported Wednesday.

The King also ordered all ministries and government departments to reply comprehensively and clearly to orders addressed directly to them.

The instructions came in a note from the King to Crown Prince Abdullah, the first deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, circulated to all ministries, government departments and corporations.

King Fahd said in his memorandum that a

laxity was noticed on the part of certain government authorities who do not carry out the rules and instructions as of the date of their issuance or publication. Such an attitude is inconsistent with public rules and Article 24 of the statute of the Council of Ministers promulgated by royal decree No. 38 of 22/1/1377H.

## Scholars eye labor laws, restrictions

RIYADH, Feb. 23 (SPA) — The Board of Supreme Religious Scholars, after its 21st session, has banned any use or employment of labor brought from abroad in violation of what the state had decreed for public interest.

The board also proclaimed that whatever is taken from the manpower importers to let the workers be employed by other sponsors is equally "Haram" (banned by religion). The Holy Qur'an and the Holy Prophet's Tradition ordain that a person should obey his or her sponsor of on the right path the board said.

Adversely, using workers for purposes other than those for which they were authorized to enter the country leads to great corruption and imminent evil for Muslims. Therefore, such action must be prohibited.

## Electricity program's first phase completed

JEDDAH, Feb. 23 (SPA) — The United Electricity Company in the Western Province has completed the first phase of a program to switch the power current in Makkah and Taif from 50 to 60 Hertz or cycles. A company spokesman said that the first stage of the transformation process already served some 53,000 subscribers, or more than half of Makkah's 120,000 subscribers.

## Prayer Times

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Dhuhr (Noon)	12:34	12:35	12:07	11:53	12:18	12:47
Asr (Afternoon)	3:54	3:54	3:25	3:11	3:35	4:03
Maghrib (Sunset)	6:24	6:22	5:53	5:39	6:03	6:31
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## Numeiri bares Qaddafi plot to overthrow him

KHARTOUM, Feb. 23 (R) — Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri has accused Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi of plotting to overthrow his government and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said Libyan planes had violated Egypt's airspace.

"Libya's threat to Sudan is continuing," Numeiri told a press conference in Khartoum. "It will not stop for a long time. It started three years ago ... Qaddafi has said it clearly he wants to change this government and eliminate Numeiri by all means even by killing him," he added.

Numeiri's talks with President Mubarak on the two countries' political and economic integration program took place amid reports of tension on the Sudanese-Libyan border.

## Israel boosts refugee camp patrols

TEL AVIV, Feb. 23 (AP) — The Israeli military command said Wednesday it has stepped up its patrols in the Palestinian refugee camp at Miye ou Miye in Lebanon following a U.S. warning that a massacre might take place.

A military spokesman said there was no point in setting up a permanent Israeli watch-post in the camp near Sidon, because most of the murders of Palestinians had taken place outside the camp.

The daily *Haaretz* said the United States

### Haddad strengthens hold over S. Lebanon

MARJAYOUN, Lebanon, Feb. 23 (AP) — Israeli-backed militia leader Saad Haddad says he is building up his force in South Lebanon and that he envisions a 15,000-man army division to control the area.

The 45-year-old renegade army major staged a military parade in Sidon, the provincial capital of South Lebanon, last week and increased the size of his forces in a key area covering about one-fourth of the country from the Mediterranean coast inland to the Bekaa Valley.

The move brought a storm of protests from nationalists and Muslim leaders. Western diplomats suggested Israel was behind the move, trying to influence the ongoing withdrawal talks.

In an interview with the Associated Press, Haddad insisted he had not enlarged his "free Lebanon" border enclave, which he has controlled since he was cashiered from the army during the 1973-76 Civil War. The deployment was merely part of a "reorganization," he said.

To maintain security in South Lebanon after an Israeli withdrawal, Haddad said a division of 12,000 to 15,000 soldiers should be created.

Sudan has accused Libya of massing troops supported by jet fighters on the border.

Mubarak told the same press conference Egyptian fighter planes had recently intercepted two Libyan aircraft in Egyptian airspace. Libyan leaders had been warned against further similar incidents, he added.

President Numeiri said the Sudanese authorities had seized a shipload of weapons at Port Sudan sent by Qaddafi five weeks ago to arm his agents in the country. Sudan has repeatedly accused Qaddafi of sending agents to incite subversion inside the country.

"Qaddafi now thinks that the weapons were in the hands of his supporters ... But I tell you these weapons are right in our hands," Numeiri told reporters.

## Tigray front marks 8th year of armed struggle

JEDDAH, Feb. 23 — The Tigray People's Liberation Front celebrated the eighth anniversary of its armed struggle against the Ethiopian government at a time Addis Ababa is preparing to launch a major offensive to wipe out the freedom fighters.

A communiqué released by the front here Wednesday said that celebrations are still under way in the "liberated lands," more than 85 percent of the province, which the TPLF claims is under its control.

Armed struggle in Tigray surfaced at the beginning of 1975 after decades of discontent with the previous Ethiopian emperor's rule. Since its creation, the TPLF has driven out Ethiopian military garrisons into the main cities bringing most of the five million peasant population under its administration.

The imminent Ethiopian offensive is the seventh in a series that aimed, unsuccessfully so far, at crushing the armed opposition to the nine-year-old provisional military government of Col. Mengistu Haile Mariam. "Last year itself, TPLF fighters killed 5,000 Ethiopian troops, took some

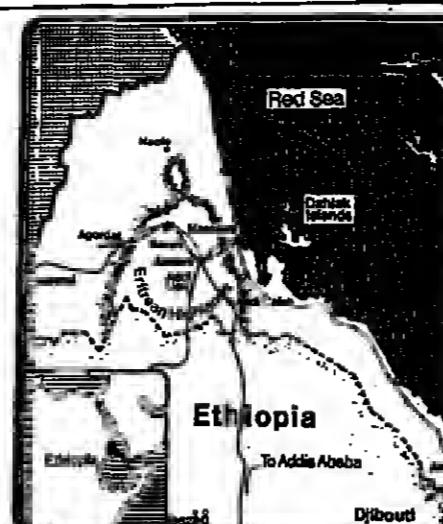
LONDON (R) — Iran Wednesday rejected a United Nations Security Council appeal for an immediate cease-fire in the Gulf war and pledged to continue fighting until the Iraqi government was overthrown. Prime Minister Hussein Mousavi told Tehran radio the council's call reflected the wishes of the superpowers, adding that Iran had always defied "oppressive powers."

DUESSELDORF, West Germany (AP) — Saeed Tabatabai, a former Iranian deputy prime minister accused of smuggling opium was freed after authorities accepted his claim of diplomatic immunity, court officials said Wednesday.

RABAT (R) — The Moroccan daily *Almagrib* said Wednesday 120 persons were killed and dozens were wounded when rival factions of the Polisario Front guerrilla movement clashed in the Tindouf area of southwestern Algeria. Quoting what it called generally well-informed sources, the paper said the fighting took place in Polisario camps two weeks ago.

LONDON (AP) — An Iraqi businessman accused of attempting to assassinate Israel's ambassador to London denied Tuesday that he had been financed by a splinter group of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Naouff Rosan, 36, also denied that an automatic pistol was found in his apartment.

PARIS (AFP) — Three French medical organizations specializing in international aid announced here Tuesday they will continue to send medical teams to Afghanistan despite



1,000 soldiers and officers prisoner while 350 defected," the TPLF communiqué said.

"It is sure that," the communiqué said, "like the other 6 offensives, the 7th offensive will effectively be smashed and thwarted by the joint force of the people of Tigray and the popular army of Tigray people's Liberation Front. This time the TPLF is as determined as ever to checkmate the inhuman design of the junta."

The TPLF, strongly condemned the brutal plan of the junta and called on all peace loving people, to express their opposition to the Ethiopian government and extend their hand of friendship to the front.

## BRIEFS

the arrest there of a French doctor, Philippe Augoyard, by the Soviet-Afghan forces.

PARIS (AFP) — Over 200,000 persons relatives of Iraqis captured in the 30-month-old Gulf war will be allowed to visit them in Iran. Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Kazempur Ardebili told Tehran radio monitored here Tuesday.

WASHINGTON (AFP) — The nuclear-powered U.S. aircraft carrier *Nimitz* is back on station off the Lebanese coast, according to sources close to the Pentagon Tuesday. The *Nimitz*, which carries about 85 aircraft had been reported in the Gulf of Sirte, which Washington considers to be international waters but is claimed as territorial waters by Libya.

TEL AVIV (AP) — An Israeli artillery captain was reported Wednesday to have been jailed for 28 days for refusing to perform military duty in Lebanon on grounds of conscientious objection.

ISLAMABAD (AP) — Authorities seized nine kilograms of heroin and 300 kilograms of hashish Tuesday after chasing down a truck bound for the sea port of Karachi, narcotics control board officials said.

CAIRO (AP) — Security authorities Wednesday ordered the release of 34 extremists, including the father of one of the late President Anwar Sadat's convicted assassins, Nauoff Rosan, 36, also denied that an automatic pistol was found in his apartment.

PARIS (AFP) — Three French medical organizations specializing in international aid announced here Tuesday they will continue to send medical teams to Afghanistan despite

## Syria reiterates pullout term

DAMASCUS, Feb. 23 (AP) — The government of President Hafez Assad reiterated Wednesday that Syrian troops would only withdraw from Lebanon when Israeli soldiers are gone.

"The presence of our troops in Lebanon is now more important than ever before in order to secure the withdrawal of the Israelis," the leadership of the ruling Socialist Baath Party said in a communiqué. The statement was issued on the 25th anniversary of the creation of the United Arab Republic, a merger of Syria and Egypt that lasted only three years.

The presence of Syrian forces in Lebanon is linked to Lebanon's interest, security, unity and independence ... All these forces will return and not a single Syrian Arab soldier

will remain in Lebanon once Lebanon regains its freedom and expels the invaders," the communiqué added.

Syrian troops arrived in Lebanon in November 1976 to snuff out the Civil War and have remained under Arab League mandate.

Sources here, declining to be identified further, said an envoy from Lebanese President Amine Gemayel arrived here Tuesday and had secret talks with Syrian military and political officials in an effort to facilitate with withdrawal of foreign troops from Lebanon.

The sources said the Lebanese envoy, Jean Oberi, met with Foreign Minister Abdul Hafiz Khaddam, chief of staff Gen. Hikmet Shehab and military intelligence chief Gen. Ali Douba.

Oberi, meeting briefly with reporters Tuesday gave no details of his discussions, saying that to do so could jeopardize the purposes of his mission.

During his Middle East trip, Soares met with Israeli government and opposition leaders, with Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat and with Lebanese officials.

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*For links with S. Africa-backed rebellion*

## 5 Mozambicans get death penalty

MAPUTO, Feb. 23 (AFP) — Five Mozambicans have been sentenced to death and a British citizen to 20 years in jail for having links with a South African-backed rebellion against the Mozambican government, a military court announced here.

In the largest trial of its kind in Mozambique, and the first to involve foreigners, the

court in Beira also sentenced two Portuguese to four and eight years in prison, while 15 Mozambicans received sentences ranging from six to 15 years. Seven Portuguese, nine Mozambicans and one Zimbabwean were released.

Tuesday's statement from the court said the in-camera trial took place in Beira bet-

ween Feb. 10-15 under legislation covering "crimes against the people and the people's state." This legislation is largely used to try members of the Mozambique National Resistance (MNR), which has South African support in its military and sabotage attacks in large areas of Mozambique.

Of the five Mozambicans sentenced to die by firing squad, one, Filipe Niquise, was said to have "confessed to burning 20 houses, killing 30 civilians and 15 soldiers, and kidnapping several youths" in five years.

The other four, Augusto Andicene, Jorge Libombo, Joao Dias and Davis Alfredo, were all found to have spent several years in rebel ranks and taken part in attacks on villages, shops, military camps and buses.

The Briton, Dion Hamilton, 48, a shipping company manager, had been in detention in Beira since shortly after a December sabotage attack which destroyed more than \$12.5 million worth of fuel and a tank farm in the city.

He was arrested when he allegedly tried to leave Beira for South Africa in his private plane the following day. The court found that he had prior knowledge of the attack and had told employees at his company to store as much petrol as possible.

During investigations, the authorities found three pistols, 200 rounds of ammunition, three grenades and radio receivers at his home.

The court found him guilty of "acts amounting to terrorism" and "agitation." His Portuguese common-law wife, Maria Jose da Rocha, who was charged with complicity, was released and ordered to leave Mozambique within 30 days.

Two of Hamilton's employees, Benjamin Fox and Jose Benedito Fernandes, were given eight and four years respectively for their "failure to denounce" the fuel depot attack. Fox had also been accused of direct links with MNR military groups, but the court said no further charges could be proved. Of the six Portuguese released, two were ordered deported within 30 days.

### Shuttle flight set

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AFP) — The second U.S. space shuttle, *Challenger*, will be launched March 19 or 20, a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) official said here Tuesday. He said the exact date depended on the result of tests now being carried out on the shuttle's spare motors, following the discovery of leaks in one of the three main engines.

NASA associate administrator for space flights, Gen. James Abrahamson, said the first *Challenger* launch was about two months behind schedule, but that NASA hoped to catch up on its shuttle schedule by the ninth launch (*of Columbia*) planned for Sept. 30, when spacelab will make its first flight.

**Soviets to resist Western pressure**

MADRID, Feb. 23 (R) — Igor Andropov, said here the Soviet Union was not prepared to reach agreement at any price at the Madrid security conference.

Talking to Reuters during a break in the work of the review Conference of the Helsinki European Security and Cooperation (CSCE) accords, Andropov made clear the Kremlin was determined to resist Western pressure.

He referred directly to proposals tabled by the Western states at the 35-nation meeting which call for greater respect for human rights, including free trade unions, in the Soviet bloc.

The West was mistaken in believing that the Soviet Union would accept these proposals in exchange for a commitment from the conference to convene new all-European

arms talks, he said. "I don't think that we should pay such an extreme price for this conference," he said in fluent English. Andropov, a career diplomat, is the fourth-ranking Soviet delegate at the 28-month-old Madrid conference.

He said the West's view that the Soviet Union had most to gain from convening new arms talks was questionable. "We are of course interested, but not at all costs."

Andropov said the Soviet Union was ready to talk about trade unions, but any discussions would have to take into account legislation, in his and allied countries. "It must not be in the form of interference or a threat against our domestic politics," he said.

Asked about dissidents, he said: "Every person lives in our country under Soviet law and Soviet administrative regulations, just as in the United States."



ICY PRIZE WINNER: With an ice sculpture depicting their protest against the seal slaying, four young men won the first prize of Swiss ice carving championships in Switzerland Alps.

## Women to defy China birth control

PEKING, Feb. 23 (AFP) — Fifteen peasant women from a small village in central China, in defiance of Peking's strict population control policies, have publicly declared they would rather die than give up their chance of a baby boy.

The Communist Party *People's Daily* Wednesday printed a letter from 15 women from the village of Anhui, who said that as mothers of girls they lacked status and were targets of mistreatment by husbands, mothers-in-law and even their own parents.

"That is why we will never give up trying to have a boy and why we would rather die than be content with a girl," they wrote.

Failure to produce male offspring in their region of China was a lot "worse than death," they said. China's official policy, launched three years ago, limits couples to one child. But official aims have met with resistance

in rural areas where the traditional preference for male children and desire for at least one male descendant still runs strong.

The press is full of reports of infanticide of baby girls and of mistreatment of women who produce only daughters.

In a commentary Wednesday, the *People's Daily* said China's population control program was doomed to failure so long as men were considered superior to women. The article about the 15 Anhui women was headed "we want a second emancipation of women."

The villagers pointed out that despite tough stand on women's emancipation by the late Chairman Mao Tse-tung, and more recently by party Secretary-General Hu Yaobang, Chinese women had still not achieved equality with men, after over 30 years of Communist rule.

## India explains reprocessing of spent N-fuel

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23 (AP) — India said that its recent moves to reprocess spent nuclear fuel plutonium are neither secret nor surreptitious. "Nor are we producing plutonium with military purposes in mind."

A government spokesman branded as "utterly irresponsible and possibly misleading" reports on the subject this week in New York and Washington newspapers.

A *Washington Post* story that India has begun stockpiling weapons-grade plutonium at a rate enabling it to make 20 atomic bombs a year is "a totally false scenario," added the spokesman.

After lengthy trial runs, reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel was started in November at India's Tarapur reprocessing plant near Bombay. The International Atomic Energy Agency has confirmed this.

We cannot go on accumulating the irradiated (spent) nuclear fuel. Reprocessing it does of course entail the production of plutonium but neither is that an end in itself... Any eventual use of this plutonium in a fast breeder reactor would be exclusively to avail of the self-generating technology of power production, the spokesman said.

He added that India had invested more than \$40 million in the reprocessing plant and did not want it to lie idle.

## Jamaica premier gets U.S. award

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP) — President Ronald Reagan and Jamaican Prime Minister Edward Seaga met for 30 minutes Tuesday and Seaga was then given the Freedoms Foundation's American Friendship Medal at the White House.

At the ceremony, Reagan said Seaga "has long opposed totalitarian inroads in the Caribbean." The president said that under Seaga, who took office in November 1980, the Jamaican economy is growing and "now there are significant employment opportunities."

With Seaga at his side, the president again proclaimed the Caribbean basin initiative "one of our highest priorities." The program would offer direct aid to encourage development of the nations of the region.

The legislation for the program was sent to Congress last week. The House approved the assistance last year but it was stalled in the Senate.

Seaga said the award saluted the friendship of the people of the United States and Jamaica, and said Reagan's "personal friendship for Jamaica has been translated into meaningful acts of support."

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# Indian state gives up press control law

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23 (AP) — Indian journalists on Tuesday won a seven-month battle against a state press control law widely denounced as a threat to freedom of the press.

Jagannath Mishra, the chief minister of Bihar state, who sponsored the controversial law and got it passed by his state legislature last year, announced Tuesday he was giving up efforts to gain final approval from India's central government.

"The bill is dead. The chapter should be treated as closed," Mishra told a news conference, his first since introducing the measure and touching off nationwide protests by journalists and editors.

"I just wanted to greet you people and extend my hand of friendship. Let us forget and forgive," Mishra added to the press corps at Patna, his state capital.

The Bihar press bill provided for jailing

**S. Korean woman to die for spying**

SEOUL, Feb. 23 (AP) — A 26-year-old Korean woman was sentenced to death Wednesday after a court found her guilty of spying for North Korea, court authorities said.

The Seoul District Criminal Court handed down the decision in the case of Kim Yung-Hui, who was arrested in September and charged with spying after infiltrating church circles, labor unions and campus activities, they said.

She was accused of having visited North Korea in 1976 for espionage training with the help of a pro-Communist group in Japan and was said to have received instructions to gather military information and spread anti-government rumors.

The authorities said the court also sentenced three associates to jail terms ranging from three years to life on charges involving espionage and violating the national security laws.

## BRIEFS

LONDON (AP) — An incendiary letter bomb sent to the U.S. Embassy here Tuesday was disarmed by a British explosives expert. There were no injuries, police said here. They said the booby-trapped envelope could have burned someone seriously if it had been opened before being spotted. They said the envelope contained no message.

CALCUTTA, India (AP) — Twenty-five persons including three women were burned alive Tuesday morning near this port city when a bus in which they were riding caught fire, police said. The preliminary police report said the bus accidentally caught fire. Deputy Inspector General of Police S.S. Brinda said the "nearby" villagers were attracted by screams of the passengers, but the bus was engulfed by fire and reduced to a charred wreck before they could help.

BUENOS AIRES (AFP) — National elections to bring about a return to civilian rule in Argentina will be held on Oct. 16, the head of the conservative Federal Party said here following a meeting with President Reynaldo Bignone.

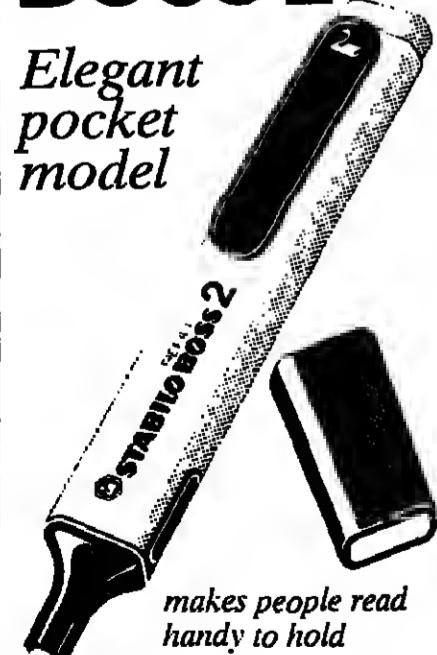
BOGOTA (AFP) — Colombian officers and troops will contribute one day's pay to a fund to defend 59 military men accused by the chief prosecutor of belonging to a "death squad" movement, military chiefs announced here.

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## Barbarism alleged in U.K. hospital

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP) — Mentally handicapped teen-age girls are allegedly lined up at bathtime and "hosed down like cattle" in one of 16 British mental hospitals condemned in a report published Tuesday.

The report cited other alleged examples of barbaric treatment including tying children to chairs, making patients eat meals, excessive dosing with tranquilizers and physical assaults.

Lawmaker Jack Ashley, a member of the opposition Labor Party and veteran campaigner for the disabled, urged the House of Commons Tuesday to take immediate action on the findings. But his request for an emergency debate was turned down.

"If these grave allegations are substantiated, we are dealing with a major public scandal involving cruelty to helpless people," said Ashley who is deaf.

The 54-page report, called "Vulnerable People," named 16 hospitals, about half the total number of hospitals for the mentally handicapped in southeast Britain, and calls for an independent body to investigate complaints.

## Black mayor for Chicago

CHICAGO, Illinois, Feb. 23 (AFP) — U.S. Congressman Harold Washington won the Democratic Party primary for mayor of Chicago Wednesday, a victory that virtually assures him of becoming the city's first black mayor.

Official reports refer to non-whites as immigrants from "new Commonwealth"

## Fraser statement draws banks' ire

Mr. Keating (Labor's shadow treasurer) can't get their hands on them. They'd rob the savings of the people to pay for their mad promises."

Ron Cameron, director of the Australian Bankers' Association, called on Fraser to rectify his remarks. Hawke, the Australian Labor Party leader, accused Fraser of deliberately risking the stability of the Australian financial system for short-term political advantage.

The Sydney Morning Herald said "it has been said no American businessman ever went broke underestimating the intelligence of the average consumer. Mr. Fraser seems to be moving to adopt a similar credo."

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## Non-white immigration to Britain increases

countries — the black, brown and Asian countries in the 47-nation association of Britain and its former colonies — and from Pakistan, which is not a Commonwealth member.

Immigration from the Republic of Ireland showed the sharpest decrease, falling by 14 percent, with the number of Irish-born Britons numbering 612,000.

Britain's non-whites were also younger than the natives, the survey showed. It said that while a third of all households included one or more children aged under 16, there

the Liberal-National Party coalition 52 to 42. Hawke outpolled Fraser in public esteem by 54 percent to 34 percent.

"The election campaign is really flushing out some absurdities and old chestnuts this time," said the *Australian Financial Review* in an editorial which accused Fraser of deliberately risking the stability of the Australian financial system for short-term political advantage.

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# Migratory route of the ant-eaters

By Dr. Gerhard Steinert

**BONN (GRS)** — The animal skeleton discovered in the Messel oil-shale pit near Darmstadt in Land Hesse turned out in the end to be that of an ant-eater dating from the Eocene. As far as present-day zoologists are concerned, however, the ant-eater is strictly a South American animal which, to the best of their knowledge, has never left that continent. In view of the fact that a Southeast Asian pangolin had been unearthed in this unique fossil-source a short time before, the scientists have now gained the impression that Central Europe must have been a mixing vessel of literally absurd dimensions for the entire animal world some 50 million years ago.

The *Grube Messel* — formerly oil shale for mineral oil production was extracted here, it is to eventually become a large-scale rubbish tip — has, for a number of years, been providing fossils from the Eocene, the second principal subdivision of the Tertiary, in an exceptionally good state of preservation. Bats with domestic remains, skeletons of prime-val horses with still identifiable stomach-contents, complete tissue cells which have survived the last 50 million years in the former sludge on the bed of a primeval forest lake, have been repeatedly astonishing the fossil-prospectors.

The mammals, which either drowned in a large stagnating lake or whose carcasses were washed up there, date from a major development epoch of life on earth: the giant saurians had just died out and the primitive minor mammals (which had lived with them) and the birds suddenly became the lords of the continents. Large terrestrial animals were still missing and the mammals and birds developed rapidly, growing larger and larger. Simultaneously, in the warm climate which prevailed all over the globe, the now identifiable demarcation lines in the animal world disappeared, as proved by Messel. "The animal population, which lives in nearly separated "fauna provinces" nowadays, was all

mixed up 50 million years ago.

A few years back, for example, a pangolin which is now only to be found in Southeast Asia, was dug up at Messel. A crocodile from the pit should, strictly speaking, "come from" America. The "piece de resistance" to date, however, is the remains of an 86-centimeter-long ant-eater, a species of animal found exclusively in South America today. The ant-eater is a toothless mammal which, with its "pick-axe", i.e. the middle finger of the front foot and which is terribly powerful, can break open and penetrate ant-hills with its trunk-like snout to "lick up" the ants with its tongue.

When Dr. G. Jores, Darmstadt, unearthed this skeleton in 1974, he couldn't believe his eyes and cautiously classified it as "ant-eater-like". It was not until 1981 that Dr. Gerhard Storch, paleontologist at Senckenberg Museum, Frankfurt, was definitely able to verify this assumption. In other words, during the Central European fauna-chaos, South America is clearly represented by native animals.

These finds have been made all the more surprising by the fact that a typically former inhabitant of South America was found in France recently: the giant *Phorusrachus*, an ostrich-like running bird with an immensely powerful beak, which lived as a two-legged large bird of prey, undoubtedly killing even larger mammals with sharp beaks.

Just how this fauna-muddle of "Southeast Asia" plus "Europe" plus "North America" plus "South America" came about is causing paleoecologists something of a headache at the moment.

As these discoveries in Messel go to show, this South American animal world was not always as isolated as has been assumed and was, what is more, filled with wanderlust. By which routes the Messel ant-eater and the bird of prey in France made their way to Europe is still a matter of conjecture. There was certainly no direct link between South America and Europe 50 million years ago: the Atlantic was already there.

## Heart surgery of newborn 'successful'

By Stuart Harris

**ROME (R)** — Doctors predicted a short life for Alessandro Bianchi when he was born last January with a heart tumor, but a speedy operation saved him and turned a team of surgeons into national heroes.

Within hours of his birth doctors performed what they said was the world's first successful heart surgery on a newborn baby. The growth, as big as a walnut took up most of Alessandro's left ventricle. Doctors at the state-run Fatebenefratelli Hospital where he was born despaired of preventing it moving to block his blood supply.

Alessandro was rushed to the Vatican's children's hospital, where a team of heart surgeons operated to prove the growth. "Fatebenefratelli called at three, the baby arrived at four and we had him on the operating table at five," recalls Dr. Carlo Marcelletti, 38, head of the cardiology department.

The speed and success of the operation turned Dr. Marcelletti's team into celebrities. Their success was in contrast to the normal chaos in Italy's understaffed hospitals, aggravated by doctors protesting at poor pay and conditions.

Dr. Marcelletti hand-picked the team of three cardiologists, six anaesthetists and five surgeons, including himself from the "brain drain" of Italian medical talent he met while working in foreign hospitals.

He worked in Britain, at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester Minnesota and at the university hospital in Amsterdam before setting up the children's hospital's heart surgery department in June 1982.

"I assumed I was going to spend my working life outside Italy, so I was over the moon when the management of this hospital asked me to come and set up a child heart surgery department," he told Reuters in the hospital on Janiculum Hill, overlooking central Rome. His team has already carried out 180 operations with 85 percent survival rate, over half of them in babies under one year old.



BEFORE BURNING: The first mental hospital in the United States as it appeared before burning to the ground in 1885.

Opened in 1773

## First U.S. mental hospital excavated

By Donald J. Frederick

**WILLIAMSBURG, Virginia (NGNS)** —

A vulcanized chamber pot and dozens of surgical instruments are among the thousands of objects resurrected from the United States' first mental hospital.

Opened to patients in 1773, the building in Williamsburg burned to the ground more than a century later. Colonial Williamsburg archaeologists now are wrapping up an extensive examination of the site before work starts on a reconstruction of the building — the largest reconstruction project undertaken in the town since 1934.

The original two-story red brick hospital had 12 rooms on each floor for patients. A third story was added later, as were five other large buildings and a number of smaller ones.

"The complex, known as the 'Public Hospital,' housed more than 300 patients at the time it burned down," said Colonial Williamsburg's chief archaeologist, Ivor Noel Hume. The site is at the edge of the restored town near the College of William & Mary.

Why did the first building for the mentally ill go up in a small Virginia town rather than a large urban area such as Philadelphia or New York? "It certainly wasn't because the area had more deranged people than the

northern communities," observed the reconstruction project's historian, Shomer S. Zwelling.

Rather, Zwelling feels the positive attitude of men of Colonial Virginia's governors, Francis Faquier, had a lot to do with it. Exhibiting legislators in act, Faquier noted, "Every civilized country has a hospital for these people, where they are confined, maintained, and attended by able physicians to endeavor to restore to them their lost reason."

Credit, too, should go to the aristocracy who controlled the House of Burgesses and approved the building in 1770. "Many of them may have acted paternalistically, but there was also a lot of enlightenment around," pointed out Zwelling. "After all, this was Thomas Jefferson country."

The enlightenment extended to the hospital's admissions policy. Almost from the beginning, free black patients were admitted on a non-segregated basis. Zwelling noted that in other parts of the country blacks rarely were accepted as patients in mental hospitals before the 1840s.

The historian isn't sure whether colonial patients had peculiar mental problems, but just as today, there was a lot of schizophrenic and depressive behavior. At least one of the earliest patients was admitted because of compulsive smoking.

The reform movement ran out of steam in the 1850s. "Overcrowding of institutions caused by large waves of immigrants is usually cited as the reason," pointed out Zwelling. "But that's an oversimplification, because the same thing happened in the Williamsburg hospital, an underutilized complex where patients were still mostly housed one to a room."

NEXT WEEK  
Dr. Steincohn discusses



related drugs didn't control the anginal attacks — surgery. But lately, we have newer drugs to fall back on: beta blockers.

Tuesday, March 1

Avoid crash diets! Although weight seems to dissolve like butter in a hot pan, within weeks or months fat begins infiltrating and accumulating. Also, consider what crash dieting does to your health. Think about how an unbalanced diet with lack of protein weakens your muscles, including the most important one, the heart.

Wednesday, March 2

The reason self-treatment may be dangerous is that if it is prolonged for weeks or months, you may be losing valuable time in treatment if an ailment was serious or life-threatening.

Monday, Feb. 26

Saturday, Feb. 26

Yes, the mechanical heart given to Barney Clark is indeed a great medical accomplishment, but how much greater the miracle if a discovery and cure are made to prevent and treat atherosclerosis — the cause of stroke and heart attack.

Sunday, Feb. 27

For the middle-ager: "A vigorous walking program may be more prudent for middle-aged flabby, deconditioned Americans," says Dr. William B. Kannel in his book, *Exercise and Sudden Death*.

Monday, Feb. 28

A few years back, there was often only one choice for non-functioning or poorly functioning arteries if nitroglycerine and

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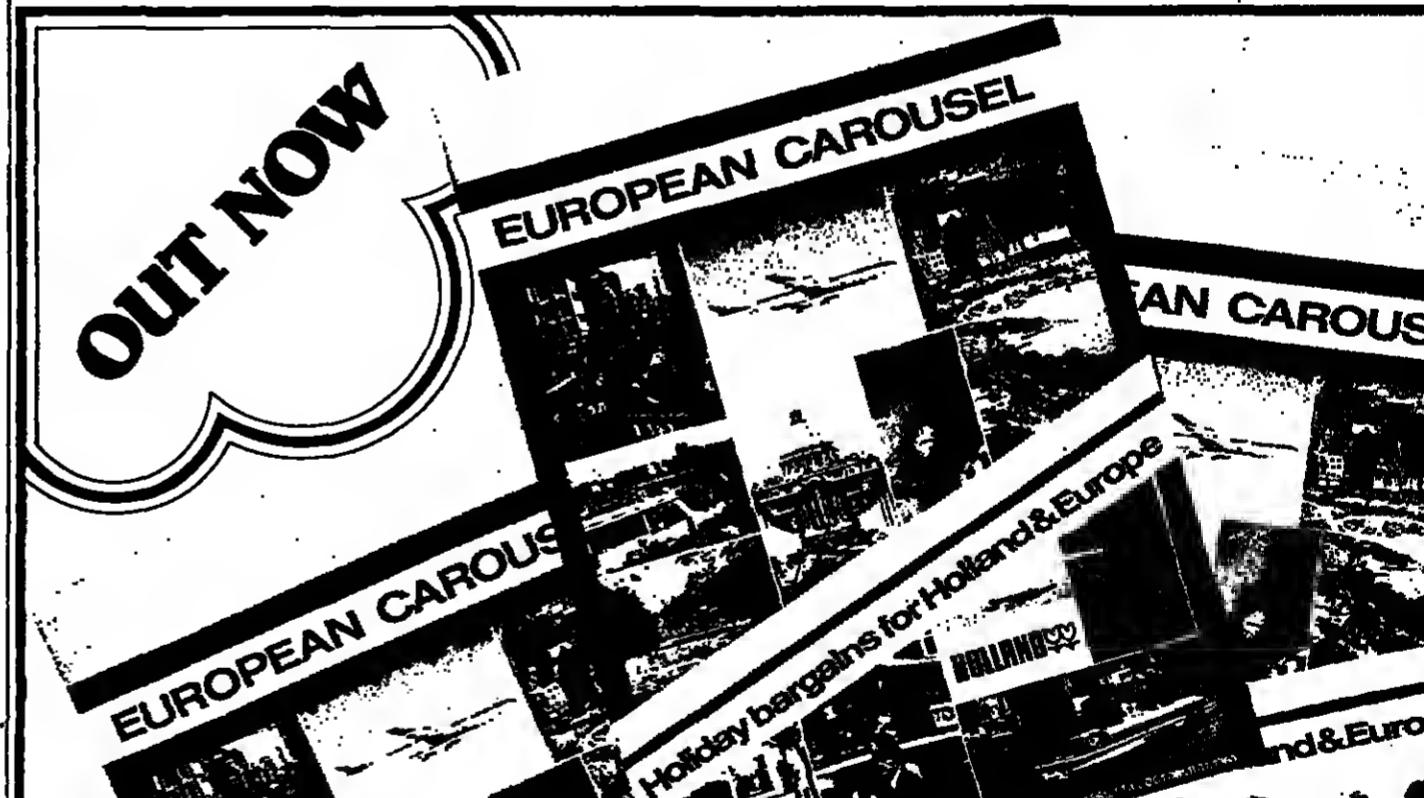
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## LAST CHANCE FOR OPEC

It is just possible that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries might be saved from certain demise if the conferees in Riyadh are able to reach a consensus despite the staggering blow dealt to them by renegade Nigeria.

The Nigerian government, it may be recalled, has already reduced the price of its oil by up to five and a half dollars, undercutting even the North Sea product. It has done this without consulting other members of OPEC who had stood Lagos in good stead when it faced serious financial difficulties due to scanty demand for its oil.

The Arab producers led by Saudi Arabia, by far the largest exporter in the world, have taken it gracefully so far and have consulted with other members in the interest of the organization which has been threatened with dissolution. But it would be unfair to expect the Arabs to go on sacrificing their only resource for the sake of Iran and Nigeria if they cannot get the organization as a whole to close ranks.

The dangers facing OPEC are painfully clear. A price war will destroy it and according to some Western experts, rapidly falling prices will play financial havoc worldwide. The banks have staked billions of dollars in loans to some producers notably Mexico and Nigeria which may not be able to muster enough cash to service their debts let alone the principals. The West has also invested a lot of money in developing alternative sources of energy and tapping new, and previously costly sources of oil notably in the North Sea and Alaska.

Paradoxically, the U.S. which has engineered the recession, the glut and the possible decimation of OPEC is deeply worried about the potential collapse of the oil pricing structure since it is both a producer and a lender of money to fellow-producers.

It is up to OPEC now to try to halt the slide to oblivion.

## Saudi Arabian press review

King Fahd's reiteration of his government's support to the Palestinian cause announced at Monday's cabinet meeting has been hailed by Saudi Arabian newspapers.

*Al-Bilad* said the Kingdom's full support for any unified Palestinian moves will give strong impetus to any Arab and Palestinian action to recover the usurped Palestinian and Arab rights.

At the cabinet meeting Monday King Fahd stressed his country's political, economic and information backing to the Palestinian issue. This, the paper said, will help "the Palestinian people, led by the PLO, to liberate their territory and establish their independent state on their own soil."

The paper urged a unified Palestinian stand to "face the malicious designs of international Zionism against them."

*Al-Madinah* also urged a unified Arab and Palestinian

stand to recover the usurped Arab rights and territory. The paper stressed that any solution to Palestine cause "should come through the Palestinian people."

*Al-Jazirah*, in its editorial referred to Jibali phase II power and desalination plant opened by King Fahd and described it as a big stride to ensure the citizens' welfare and prosperity.

*Okba* hailed the gigantic project as one which reflects the king's concern to ensure the country's needs of water not only in towns but also in villages and remote places.

*Al-Yawm* said the GCC ministerial meetings held in Riyadh "reflect the Gulf states' strenuous efforts to establish the strongest possible cohesion based on the divine faith." The GCC meetings will help establish Gulf solidarity and joint action needed to realize common goals, the paper said.

(SPA)



## Reagan's arms control policies lack credibility

By Herbert Scoville

LOS ANGELES —

President Reagan's policies for controlling nuclear weapons and his organization for implementing those policies are being ravaged by a major credibility crisis.

Its severity became apparent last month with his firing of the hawkish Eugene V. Rostow, director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, for excessive "zeal" in promoting arms control. That move sent shock waves around the world, activating latent skepticism over the seriousness of American intentions to negotiate limits on nuclear weapons, particularly those in Europe — an issue that has become a major factor in the West German elections of next month.

In response, the administration launched a worldwide public relations campaign to restore an image of sincerity:

— Reagan vowed to meet with the new Soviet leader, Yuri V. Andropov, to sign a "zero-option" treaty, a proposal that the Soviets have branded as one-sided and totally unacceptable since the day it was made in November 1981. (It envisioning the canceling of American plans to deploy

(Herbert Scoville has served as assistant director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, and as deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency for science and technology).

intermediate-range missiles in Europe if the Soviet Union scraps all of its existing intermediate-range missiles).

Meanwhile, Vice President George Bush was trying to sell the year-old proposal in Western Europe's capitals.

— U.S. negotiator Paul Nitze, who is reported to have privately suggested to his Soviet counterpart an alternative to Reagan's obviously non-negotiable zero-option proposal, was shipped back to the Geneva talks despite being rebuffed for showing such flexibility.

All these moves were touted as demonstrations of the United States' seriousness about reducing nuclear arsenals in Europe. They do show steadfast Reagan administration support for the zero-option proposal, but do they persuade anyone that America is really serious about reducing the nuclear threat to Europe?

Reagan attacked the Soviets for not making a serious counteroffer. Yet Andropov, a little more than a month after he succeeded the late Leonid I. Brezhnev, offered to reduce the number of Soviet missiles aimed at Europe to 162 — the same number that the British and French now have aimed at the Soviet Union. He even offered to reduce such Soviet missiles all the way to zero if those two nations would scrap all theirs as well. The Soviets' reluctance to leave the Europeans with a 162-0 missile margin is understandable. But the American government, within 24 hours, denounced the Andropov offers as propaganda.

Although the arms-control director will have the major role in day-to-day activities,

Certainly they have many aspects that need clarification and modification, but they could provide a basis for negotiation. They present an opportunity to explore whether the Soviets would reduce to an equal number of warheads with the British and French, which would mean a substantial cut from the current Soviet force level.

If Reagan is really serious about reducing nuclear missiles in Europe, this proposal should have been given some consideration. It gave many openings for important reductions, and even for reaching a true zero-zero situation.

But a demonstration of seriousness concerning arms control does not depend on negotiating positions alone. It also depends on the people whom the president appoints to develop and carry out his policies. With the firing of Rostow, Reagan had a chance to turn over a new leaf; he could have nominated (for the first time) a well-informed individual who is known to believe in the importance of controlling nuclear weapons. Instead, the president nominated Kenneth Adelman, who has little background in arms control.

Although the arms-control director will have the major role in day-to-day activities,

State George P. Shultz may come off worse than in the past. He will have to find informed support within the government. It is going to move it toward concrete achievements in the control of nuclear weapons.

If Reagan is to close the credibility gap over the sincerity of his support for arms control, he can no

longer afford to ignore the appearances of such appointments. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee quite correctly did not ignore such appearances when it held a hearing on the Adelman nomination amid suggestions by a number of senators that Reagan withdraw it.

The president's commitment receded into serious question when Adelman, his selection to be the chief officer in the government responsible for arms control, admitted to unusual unconcern over the most basic issues involving nuclear weapons. For example, he had "no strong opinions" on whether either the United States or the Soviet Union could survive in any given exchange in the absence of a full nuclear war, and he had "no thoughts" on whether a nuclear war could be kept limited.

What is the likely reaction of the Europeans to such a vacuum in Reagan's choice as chief disarmament officer? Will they measure them that the Reagan administration is not merely using arms control as a cover to deploy new weapons on their lands?

No, the president can no longer be given the benefit of doubt on his sincerity. The time has come for him to make his words, with a minimum stockpile, cohere with his actions. Every new administration is probably going to give it so much as a modicum of credibility. And it must sit down and seriously try to negotiate controls and reductions on nuclear weapons that satisfy the security concerns of both West and East. (LAT)

## New evidence bares S. Africa's secret war on neighbors

By Richard Hall

and make it dependent upon routes through South Africa.

Gingles died more than 300 miles beyond South Africa territory. His operation was quite distinct from the limited, cross-border raids made by the defense force to "take out" the bases of guerrillas planning to infiltrate South Africa. After the attack on the railway — at Doeroi, halfway between Beira and the Zimbabwe border — Mozambique protested that unidentified "Boer soldiers" had been involved. A spokesman for the South African government called this "lying propaganda." Only a few days earlier it had put out the totally misleading statement about Gingles.

The background to the death of Gingles has remained hidden for more than a year. It acquires added significance because last week another Briton — Finlay Dion Hamilton, from Manchester — was jailed for 20 years for alleged involvement in the sabotage last December of Beira's fuel depot, which serves Zimbabwe.

Suspicion was directed at Beira's small expatriate community — in which Hamilton was a leading figure — because it was known that white men had operated alongside guerrillas belonging to the rebel Mozambique National Resistance organization. Hamilton was accused of running an MNR "cell."

The trial that led to Gingles' home town, 20 miles north of Belfast in Northern Ireland, had begun in Maputo, the capital of Mozambique. The Observer's correspondent there, Joseph Hanlon, obtained pictures taken at the scene shortly after Gingles had blown himself up. The photographer was Carlos Rodrigues, from the staff of Beira's *Diario de Mocambique*. The pictures show the equipment of the sabotage team, including rifles, a map, and a camouflaged sleeping bag.

There was no name on any of the white man's possessions, which included basic mapping equipment, a Portuguese language primer and a neatly inscribed wordlist in Shona, the local language. The crucial evidence lay in the photographed fragment

of the handwritten novel.

The fictional hero, a student named Willie, was portrayed as being heavily involved in Northern Ireland's politics. He had been recruited into a right-wing terrorist cell, and was instructed to infiltrate the Ulster Defense Regiment.

One sadly apt sentence in the novel reads: "Death, as we now knew, was anything but pleasant or glorious." The Observer established that the dead saboteur was called Gingles. This unusual surname was tracked to Larne, which fitted with the novel. A girl in the story has the codename "Autum," and Larne is in County Antrim.

In Larne, there was no difficulty in tracing Gingles' relatives. He was well known in the town and was so keen on military life that he had joined the Ulster Defense Regiment was still at Larne Grammar School. He went to Sandhurst, the British Military Academy, and was commissioned in the Royal Irish Rangers in 1977.

At his farmhouse near the Ballyhampton Road, two miles from Larne, Hubert Gingles produced last week a bundle of the letters sent home by his son from Africa. The handwriting in them was identical with that of the manuscript found 5,000 miles away beside the Mozambique railway line. All this gives the lie to South Africa's claim that Gingles had died "in action against terrorists." By some lights, he was a terrorist himself.

The identification of Gingles also weighs against south Africa's denial of collaboration with the Mozambique National Resistance. MNR guerrillas are reportedly trained at Phalaborwa, a military camp in the eastern Transvaal; the official communiqué states that Gingles had been based at Phalaborwa.

Hubert Gingles is proud of his son: "Alan was adventurous and had a wish to combat terrorism." He thought his son bad died in some unorthodox mission "perhaps trying to blow up a bridge."

After an unexciting spell in Germany, Alan Ging-

les had resigned his British commission and gone to Rhodesia during the closing stages of the Smith regime. There he fought in a commando unit of the Seafarers Scouts, but when Rhodesia became Zimbabwe he moved on to South Africa. His letters display anti-Marxist views, and a bitterness shared by many regular soldiers who fought in Rhodesia — that the victory finally went to their black opponents. A wish for revenge is said to motivate some of the former Rhodesians who volunteer for risky operations north of the Limpopo River.

Although Gingles failed, other raids into Mozambique have had spectacular results. The devastation of the Beira fuel depot caused weeks of damaging petrol shortages in Zimbabwe.

Dion Hamilton was, until the time of his arrest, the managing director in Beira of Manica Freight Services, owned by the Anglo-American Corporation of South Africa. He had lived for 20 years in Mozambique, and acted as unofficial British consul in Beira. He was a champion Mozambique parachutist and trained a government sky-diving team. At the time of his arrest, with eight others, his plane was said to have a full tank of fuel and was ready for take-off. (LAT)

## Britain acts to ensure defense supplies

By Ian Mackenzie

should be used in deciding what to stockpile: the importance of a mineral to the national economy and vulnerability of supply. It said the four most important materials were chromium and manganese used in the steel industry, the platinum group of metals used in the electrical and car industries and medicine, and phosphorus rock used for fertilizer.

Metal prices have been rising recently but are still well below their historic peaks and are thus tempting to government buyers. Traders say purchases for the British stockpiles are unlikely to have a significant effect on prices.

A U.S. senate committee report last December warned that Western countries should prepare themselves for any temporary disruption in mineral imports from South Africa in the event of social upheaval there during the next decade.

Analysts said fears of unrest in southern Africa and Britain's war with Argentina over the Falkland Islands last year had apparently persuaded the Whitehall to go ahead with the stockpile plan without waiting for concerted European action.

The United States first started stockpiling about 60 strategic materials — ranging from metals and diamonds to drugs such as opium — during the

Korean conflict in the early 1950s. But it was in March 1981 that President Reagan ordered the resumption of major purchases for the first time in 20 years. His 1982 budget proposes outlays of \$120 million for purchases of critical materials, the same amount as in 1983.

Administration officials said in January the United States would buy one million tons of Jamaican bauxite for stockpiling, while purchases from Zaire of cobalt — essential for jet engines — were under consideration.

Reagan had earlier ordered an increase in stockpiles of manganese and chromium ores. France, the first European Community country to stockpile minerals, started its program in 1975 with purchases of nonferrous metals such as copper, lead, tungsten and chrome.

The aim is to stockpile enough minerals to provide French industry with a two-month emergency supply by 1985.

Proposals to build up official reserves of strategic metals in Germany were discussed in Bonn in the

**Victims of Israeli brutality****Lebanese kids get medical care in U.S.**Dawn Liddicoat  
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON — The Lebanese children who arrived in the United States to receive specialized treatment for injuries suffered during the Israeli invasion and violence which has wracked the country for eight years arrived in good spirits. "Although they're a little tired, they are excited to be here," said Dr. Ghassam Issa, a Lebanese pediatrician who accompanied the children to the United States. The group was greeted by a large crowd of well-wishers in Pittsburgh, as they made their way to the Mansour Medical Center in Jeannette, Pennsylvania, for preliminary medical evaluations.

Dr. Issa said seven of the 13 injured were wounded in the savage Israeli air attacks during last summer's invasion. The others sustained injuries during various outbreaks of civil strife as far back as 1975.

Dr. James Zogby, executive director of the Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee which began the Save Lebanon campaign last year to sponsor war-injured children to the United States for treatment, said the program began as the result of a request from a Lebanese doctor.

"In the midst of the war, a call came to us from a doctor in Beirut," he said. "She said, 'Could someone help us, especially the children? They are suffering so much.' Today we can answer, 'Yes, we can help.'

As Dr. Zogby spoke to reporters at a press conference, 4-year-old Abir Solh clung shably to her mother. Other children sat in wheelchairs or stood on crutches.

Fatmeh Ghazzawi, a 17-year-old Palestinian amputee, told of her experience during the massacre at the Sabra refugee camp in Beirut last September. Speaking through an interpreter, she told reporters, "I was outside

of my door when a cousin said that my other cousin, Samir, was shot. She told me to get him; he is lying on the ground.

"I went up with my cousin and a young man to get him. However, the young man said, 'You had better go alone. You are a girl, and they won't hurt you.'

Fatmeh said as she crossed the street she was hit by bullets. "They shot and killed the young man and another cousin — the one who told me about Samir," she said. "We were not picked up until the next day."

The wounds Fatmeh suffered during the massacre necessitated amputation of her left leg below the knee. She will receive an artificial leg and undergo physical therapy in the United States.

The group also includes brothers Ali and Ahmed Dbouk, 11 and 13 years old respectively. Both have severe burn scars on their hands. They were burned while fighting a fire which broke out in their Beirut home during

an Israeli air raid.

"For Arab-Americans, it was our children who were being wounded," said Dr. Zogby. "We did not want to stand by. We could not stand by." He said the Arab-American community responded nationwide to the Save Lebanon campaign "with everything from raffles in New Orleans to lentil and rice dinners in Utica, New York and Houston, Texas. Thousands of Arab-Americans worked to raise funds to make Save Lebanon a reality." Dr. Zogby estimated that the campaign has raised \$250,000 so far.

"I am happy they brought me and my children here," said Saneeli Dbouk, Ali and Ahmed's mother. "I thank everyone for the help to bring me here." Mrs. Dbouk is one of the three parents who accompanied their children to the United States.

Seventeen more children in need of specialized treatment are expected during the next month.

**Book review****Jordan at the crossroads**

**JORDAN, Crossroads of Middle Eastern Events**, by Peter Gubser, Westview Press, Boulder, Colorado, 129 pages, \$16.50

By Grace Halsell

Dr. Peter Gubser, president of American Near East Refugee Aid (ANERA), takes an up-to-date look at the country that sits at the heart of the overriding problem of that region of the world, the Arab-Israeli conflict, in his book.

Palestinians represent over half of the population of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. And a high proportion of the Palestinian Jordanians have fundamentally different national aims from those of the East Jordanians. Many of the Palestinians, who in the 1940s fled under Israeli gunfire across the Jordan River, continue to live in refugee camps. They represent more than 10 percent of Jordan's population today.

After the 1974 Arab summit conference in Rabat, King Hussein and all Arab states recognized the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. King Hussein has not, however, dropped Jordan's claim of sovereignty over the West Bank, including East Jerusalem. Jordan leaves the question of the future relationship of the West Bank to Amman officially open, theoretically assuming anything possible, from complete union to loose federation to independent statehood.

While taking this position, the Amman government keeps on saying that the Palestinians of the West Bank have the right of self-determination.

Dr. Gubser, who previous to becoming ANERA president was Ford Foundation project specialist in Lebanon and later in Jordan, points out that King Hussein seeks a comprehensive peace on all fronts with Israel that would include withdrawal from occupied territories by the Israelis and guarantees for all parties. The Amman government rejects the Camp David process and looks to a comprehensive peace plan for the Middle East in which the United States, the European Community and the Soviet Union are all involved.

As informal spokesman for the moderate Arab countries, a status conferred on the king at the Amman summit of November 1980, Hussein and his leading representatives have increased their public advocacy of this comprehensive approach. Dr. Gubser says that King Hussein has not severed connections with the West Bank and its population for several reasons. "Like his grandfather, King Abdullah, he has a sense of Arab nationalism that does not allow him to focus solely on parochial, Amman-centered interests. And as a Hashemite descendant of the Prophet Muhammad, he feels a duty to defend the holy city of Jerusalem. Additionally, a vivid youthful memory of his grandfather's assassination at the Grand Mosque of Jerusalem undoubtedly reinforces the king's attachment to the West Bank and especially Jerusalem. Finally, it is only natural that King Hussein does not want to go down in history as the Arab Muslim leader who lost Jerusalem in war and then proceeded to drop all claims and ties to it."

Unlike many Arab countries, Jordan has not discovered abundant petroleum reserves. Poor in all natural resources, soil, rainfall and

minerals, Jordan was almost entirely dependent on the West in the past for economic largess and political support. Now, with Arab sources of assistance, Jordan "is reorienting its foreign policy accordingly," Dr. Gubser writes.

The military, with more than 100,000 men, represents a significant proportion of the labor force and population. The king pays very special attention to the military and its needs. He visits the bases frequently and these visits are widely publicized. In return, the military "retains its strong loyalty to the throne." The state, under King Hussein's leadership, has created an environment in which people feel they may personally advance and feel personally secure," Dr. Gubser reports. He adds that King Hussein "thought by most to be personally honest."



King Hussein of Jordan

Although still in need of financial resources for its ambitious development program, Jordan has a few revenue-producing resources of its own: extractive industries have been built for phosphates, located in Rusaifa, Hassa and Shidiya. While this mineral, used as a fertilizer, has been mined since the 1930s, Jordan in the 1960s embarked on a major program to exploit it to a much greater degree.

Although liquid petroleum has not been found, oil shale is available in widely dispersed areas, and Jordan is investigating ways to exploit this shale. Potash is abundant in the Dead Sea and Israelis now extract it. Jordan currently is starting production from its side in the single most expensive industrial project in its history. Jordan also contains — but has not as yet exploited — limited quantities of certain ores, such as copper, manganese and iron.

Of most importance, Dr. Gubser tells his readers, "are Jordan's human resources." Stating that the country's emphasis on education and the efforts of UNRWA have paid off in substantial and tangible ways, he points out that "Jordanians now working in the oil-producing countries are sending back very substantial remittances to Jordan. In turn, they are providing services... they run and provide the technical backup for television systems; design university programs... and operate computers." Also, retired Jordanian military and police officials fill vital posts and play a role in training efforts.

In this manner, Gubser writes, "Jordan has been able to contribute substantially to internal stability (and) Arabian Gulf security."

**China reverses trend toward state ownership**

By Michael Parks

**PEKING (LAT)** — In an effort to revive the entrepreneurial spirit, the government of China is starting to lease small, state-owned shops to groups of workers and even individuals to be run more or less as private enterprises.

Workers at thousands of small state enterprises, ranging from restaurants and grocery stores to barbershops and hardware stores, will be permitted to take over their management from local governments, paying an agreed fee for use of the assets plus taxes on their profits. Later, plans call for employees of such small businesses as auto-repair, welding and woodworking shops to be allowed to take over those enterprises on a similar basis.

Almost all the enterprises will be small, employing not more than 20 persons and probably having less than \$10,000 worth of business a month, but the program reverses the drive toward total state ownership and central planning since the Communist Party came to power in 1949.

The Chinese goal appears, in fact, to be removing the government from day-to-day operations of the tens of thousands of small enterprises, particularly in the retail and service sectors, that it either took over or established in the last three decades. State ownership and central planning will remain in effect in major industries, Chinese economists say, adding that there has been no real retreat from socialism, but if these new experiments succeed they could spread to some medium-sized enterprises.

Premier Zhao Ziyang, outlining China's five-year economic development plan, said such "diversified forms of operation" would be introduced methodically over the next three years among small, state-owned enterprises as one of several major reforms. For the workers, it will probably mean higher incomes as well as the satisfaction of becoming their own bosses, according to reports in the Chinese press. For the state, it means considerable simplification of bureaucracy and perhaps relief from the continued losses incurred by many poorly run enterprises.

The program has been tried experimentally in a dozen Chinese cities over the last year, according to economists here. In the city of Changzhi in Jiangxi province in central east China, 47 percent of the shops went on the new system last summer. The first big step was taken Jan. 1, when Shanghai began turning over a large portion of its stores to the workers — some of whom owned them

before the state assumed management — and liberalizing its regulations on collectively run enterprises.

For the last four years, groups of workers have been encouraged under a series of economic reforms to set up and run their own collectively owned businesses, and individuals, now totaling about 2.5 million nationwide, have been permitted to become self-employed, generally as traders or as cobblers, tailors, locksmiths, radio repairmen and such.

But the policy goes much further, calling for the handing over of state enterprises to workers' collectives and private entrepreneurs in a systematic devolution of economic management. In Peking, 400 stores and restaurants are being turned over to their employees to run, and there are plans to turn over several hundred more later this year if the first effort succeeds.

The devolution in the economy's commercial and service sectors is the first step, and it is being matched with the freezing of state price controls on 166 consumer items ranging from bicycle parts and cooking utensils to hairpins, shoelaces and buttons.

The Communist Party newspaper *People's Daily* recently cited the success of three barbershops in the Shandong province capital of Jinan to show how the new system of collective or private management will work. The shop's employees now pay the city corporation that owned them a fixed fee for use of the premises, fixtures and hair-cutting instruments. Their salaries, fringe benefits such as medical care and operating costs come out of the balance of the revenues.

The effect of the change, the paper reported, is that the workers' incomes are now directly tied to how much work they do and how successful their business is. Most Chinese barbers get state-set salaries regardless of how much work they do, and the resulting bad service discourages many Chinese from getting frequent haircuts. Since that report, Chinese newspapers have carried other accounts of this economic devolution — how theater and opera troupes have been taken off the state payroll and told to become self-supporting, how truck drivers in Canton have pooled their savings and bought new trucks and taken away the business of their old companies through better services, how farmers at one rural commune have begun selling bean curd and other soybean products through much of the country in competition with state enterprises and how retired teachers have set up private schools.

**Asian labor still victims of outside manipulations**

By Adiel J. Amor

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The relations between unions and governments vary from the very independent outlook of the Malaysian Trade Union Congress (MTUC) to the meek, government-controlled Burmese Workers Organization.

In Malaysia, reports Depthnews correspondent Li Shui-hua, labor relations — which had been frosty and based on mutual distrust — seem about to improve. Recently, the MTUC declared that the "era of confrontation was over." It has offered to promote better ties with the government.

The change of heart is apparently due to what the MTUC regards as a move toward more liberal policies by Prime Minister Daim Seri Mahathir Muhammad.

The situation in nearby Indonesia is different. Organized labor is under the control of the Federasi Buruh Seluruh Indonesia (All Indonesia Labor Federation). The union, which is different from the previous politically-oriented ones, is the only labor body recognized by the government.

The desire of many Asian governments to control labor unions is understandable. Historically, labor unions have played key roles in the liberation of Asian countries from their colonial masters.

In more recent times, they have played crucial roles in changes in government throughout the region. This largely stems from their very strong political orientation.

The 300,000-member Ceylon Workers Congress (CWC), for example, played a crucial role in harnessing the ballots of the country's total workforce.

In the Philippines and Burma, only one in every 10 laborers is a union member. Before the government declared martial law in 1982, about seven out of every 10 Bangladeshis workers were union members.

Although Asian labor unions still have a long way to go, they have grown to such extent that governments can no longer ignore them. While some labor unions have managed to remain independent, the bulk of the region's unions have accepted an uneasy

truce with, if not outright control by, their governments.

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Olaia is head of the 500,000-member Kluangs Mayo Uno (May First Movement) while Tupaz heads the Trade Unions of the Philippines and Allied Services. Tupaz' union is affiliated with the Soviet-backed World Federation of Trade Unions.

But what governments and private enterprises fear most are the strikes initiated by labor unions, often resulting in major economic losses. Sri Lanka, with 1,180 labor unions, had 308 strikes in 1981.

The strikes involved 216,000 of the slightly over a million labor union members. This resulted in losses of 465,026 working days.

The biggest strike so far in Asia is in Bombay, India which has been going on since early 1982. Observers say that the strike leader, Dr. Datta Samant and his independent union, Maharashtra Girni Kamdar Union, could demolish the monopoly of other trade unions in the country.

Sixty textile mills unions have gone on strike since Jan. 2, 1982 and some 58.5 working days have been lost. Already, some 250,000 workers are involved and losses have exceeded the \$100 million mark.

But what has been had for Bombay's textile mills has been good for the other textile

mills in the country. It has, in effect, arrested the recession in the textile industry.

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Collective bargaining has proven quite effective in the Philippines, despite the fact that there were 155 strikes in 1982. Last year's strikes involved nearly 54,000 workers.

But this is 40 percent less than the number of strikes the previous years. The decline was attributed to effective mediation methods and growing understanding of the difficulties companies are facing.

The number of strikes for 1983, however, is expected to increase, according to the Philippine Ministry of Labor and Employment. Sources say that it may be the result of the rampant underpayment or non-payment of cash benefits due to the workers.

The same upward trend is predicted by Depthnews' Prakash Chandra for India. He reports that the working days lost due to strikes in 1982 have already exceeded the previous record of 43 million in 1979. While more strikes are predicted for the Philippines and India in 1983, reports from other countries indicate that there may be less strikes in the region for 1983.

Asian labor union leaders, however, interpret this downturn in strikes as a general weakening of the labor sector.

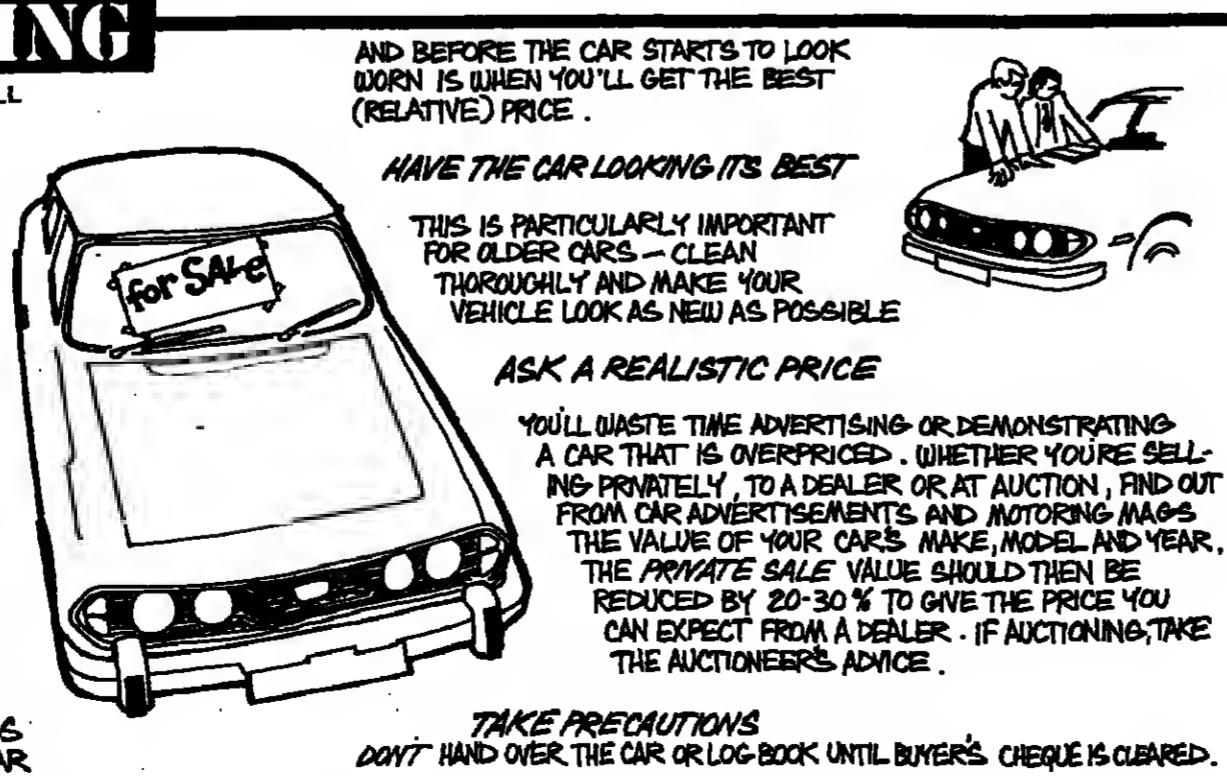
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**Through tax exemption**

## U.S. plan to subsidize exports under study

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP) — President Ronald Reagan's administration is discussing with members of Congress a new plan to subsidize the sale of U.S. goods abroad by a partial tax exemption. Trade Representative William E. Brock said Tuesday.

Last year the United States imported goods worth \$42.7 billion more than it exported, and the deficit is expected to rise to \$60 billion this year. The new plan provides for exporters to set up special corporations abroad. It has been estimated that about 19 percent of the combined income earned from exports by such a corporation and the founding company at home would be exempt from U.S. tax.

"The toughest problem," Brock told reporters, "is the participation of small and middle-sized business in a simple and straightforward way."

He acknowledged that it would be a large expense for such firms to set up operations in another country. This will have to be discussed further with Congress, he said. Congressional action would be needed to set up the new corporations.

## Egypt, Sudan to scrap customs

KHARTOUM, Feb. 23 (AP) — Sudan and Egypt decided Tuesday to abolish customs on most of their exchanged commodities effective next March.

A joint statement following the first meeting of the Sudanese-Egyptian Supreme Council of Integration said the decision was designed to remove restrictions on trade exchange between the two countries.

The statement said the decisions aimed to reach "the economic integration goals of widening trade exchange between the two countries to the maximum possible extent."

The supreme council is the highest of several bodies provided for in an "integration charter" signed last Oct. 12 for close political, economic and social policy coordination over ten years.

The council has also instructed technical committee for constitutional and legislative affairs to revise laws in the two countries to ensure freedom of movement, ownership, employment and residence of nationals of one country in the other. The committee should finish this task before mid-April and submit relevant recommendations to the sup-

erme council and to legislatures in the two countries.

The statement said the council has reviewed studies and documents about joint economic, social and political programs and projects and has laid down general framework for implementation during the next ten years. This framework would provide guidelines for technical committees to carry out studies and submit recommendations to supreme council in due course.

In the sphere of infrastructure, the council has decided to promote river transport between Aswan in Egypt and Wadi Halfa in Sudan.

The council has also decided to take steps for improving aerial transport by increasing flights and land transport by building a Khartoum-Aswan highway, and increasing and strengthening telephone lines between the two capitals.

The council has agreed to carry out coordination and cooperation in production and marketing of cotton, coffee, tea, tobacco, fodder, meat and poultry.

MANILA, Feb. 23 (Depthnews) — Employment opportunities are more favorable and the lifestyle more tolerable in cities with not more than 600,000 inhabitants.

The opposite obtains in cities with 2 mil-

lion or more populations and this stark fact of modern life should impel city planners in both the developed and developing worlds to opt for smaller urban centers than the jumbo type.

The suggestion comes from a study com-

missioned by the International Labor Organization (ILO) and conducted by Prof.

Bairoch of the University of Geneva in Switzerland.

Data analyzed by the study shows that living conditions, employment opportuni-

ties, incomes and labor productivity all

rise and fall with city size. Prof. Bairoch

reports that there are certain threshold

limits to city size beyond which several

urban problems assume serious propor-

tions. He cites the following findings:

The crime rate takes a turn for the worse

in an urban center where there are more

than a million residents. When a city's popu-

lation reaches the 200,000 mark, the vehicu-

lar traffic situation becomes congested

requiring local governments to invest heavily

in the transport sector to prevent paral-

ysis which deal in specialized capital goods,

food production and the more labor-

intensive such as garments, furniture, chemi-

cal products and others.

However, Prof. Bairoch stresses that

diversity and types of employment cease to

increase when size of cities reaches the mil-

lion or more population except in certain

cases due to the employment of women in

the service sector.

He says that rough estimates show that

at each doubling of the size of cities there is

an increase in the region of 1 to 2 percent in

real incomes" which is also true for smaller

cities up to a certain extent.

Differences in real incomes between

cities of 300,000 to 500,000 inhabitants and

those with 2 to 3 million populations were

computed in the study as ranging from 3 to 6

percent. This advantage is ordered by the

higher cost of living in the bigger cities.

Turning to industrial productivity, he

says that this, too, appears to rise with city

size but hits a plateau or ceiling when popula-

tion becomes 2 to 3 million.

The professor cites a very tight and highly

competitive job market, high crime rate,

impossible housing situation, and earnings

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Random samples ticked off by the profes-

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**Schmidt says**

## U.S. must lead war against recession

BONN, Feb. 23 (R) — The United States must take the lead in an onslaught on world recession, former West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt said Wednesday.

If the United States renounced its economic leadership, its political leadership would also be lost, he said.

Presenting an article to be published in six major Eastern newspapers, Schmidt said unless governments worked together, the world economy might slide into persistent depression for the second time this century. "Cooperation between North America, Japan and the European Economic Community is decisive for the wellbeing of the world economy," he said.

Schmidt, a Social Democrat who held the West German leadership for eight years until last October, wrote the article in collaboration with Manfred Lahmstein, finance minister in the final months of his government.

He said that when leaders of the top seven Western industrial nations — the U.S., Canada, Japan, West Germany, France, Britain and Italy — meet in May at Williamsburg, Virginia, concerted action must be taken.

### Foreign Exchange Rates

		Cash	Transfer
Bahrain Dinar	9.16	9.15	
Bangladesh Taka	14.20	14.20	
Belgian Franc	74.00	72.53	
Canadian Dollar	1.53	1.53	
Danish Krone (100)	142.60	142.19	
Dutch Guilder (100)	129.50	128.70	
Egyptian Pound	3.15	3.11	
Emirati Dirham (100)	93.75	93.75	
French Franc (100)	50.70	50.30	
Greek Drachma (1,000)	38.25	41.30	
Indian Rupee (100)		34.56	
Iranian Rial (100)		5.80	
Irak Dinar (10,000)	25.00	24.70	
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.30	14.75	
Jordanian Dinar	9.75	9.67	
Kuwaiti Dinar	11.85	11.82	
Lebanese Lira (100)	86.25	85.57	
Moroccan Dirham (100)	52.50	54.15	
Pakistani Rupee (100)	28.10	26.95	
Philippine Peso (100)	36.62		
Pound Sterling	5.28	5.24	
Qatari Rial (100)	95.00	94.70	
Singapore Dollar (100)		166.13	
Spanish Peseta (1,000)		26.50	
Swiss Franc (100)	170.25	169.31	
Syrian Lira (100)	62.00	61.60	
Turkish Lira (1,000)	3.45	3.44	
U.S. Dollar	75.15	75.15	
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Gold kg.	53.00	52.90	
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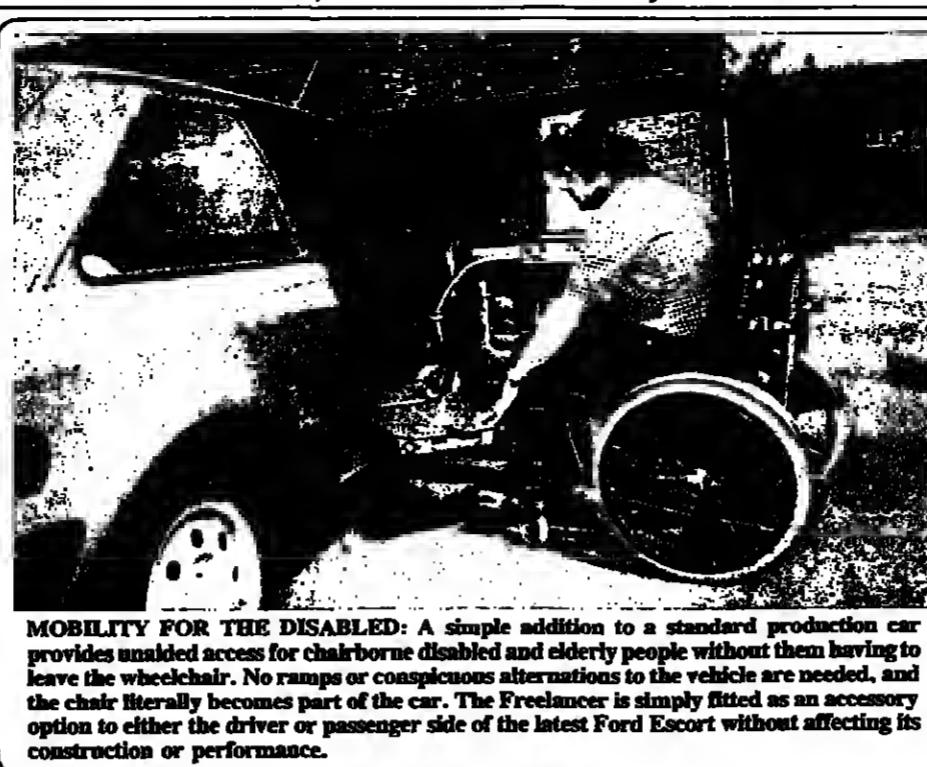
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### Based on stimulating output

## Soviets launch anti-inflation plan

MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (AP) — Soviet leader Yuri Andropov Wednesday launched an anti-inflation program based on stimulating production and controlling wages so as to balance supply and demand.

In a long theoretical article to appear in the next issue of the *Review Kommunist* and reported by Tass news agency Wednesday, Andropov indicated that economic reforms are being studied.

The aim was to "extend the vast field of action of colossal creative forces" available to the economy. Andropov, who at no time used the words economic reform, stressed at length, however, the need to take concrete, "carefully elaborated and realistic" measures firmly in line with the Socialist economic system.

Once such measures had been taken, they must not be "abandoned mid-way." This was seen as a reference to 1965 reforms, reviewed in 1977, which have been only partially applied.

Referring to the Leninist tradition, he declared that "everything which is decided must be carried out." Andropov referred several times to the Marxist theory that the value of exchange of a particular item represents the amount of labor expended, but acknowledged that this principle had been forgotten.

This had caused a real imbalance between supply and demand of goods were not distributed in close coordination with output, policies inevitably arose.

Stressing that there was a limit to what could be provided, he said that to redress the situation he had concentrated firstly on growth and production, and from this base on improving material and cultural living standards.

This policy would permit elimination of production shortfalls, Andropov said, indicating that the measures were also intended to outdo the flourishing black market in goods on the state market.

However, Andropov did not mention another aspect of economic policy — adjustment of some prices — which has not yet been announced officially.

Defining the objectives of the Socialist economy, Andropov said that contrary to capitalism, it was based on the interests of the workers. This combination of personal and general interests was the driving force behind economic growth, and "the strengthening of the economic and defensive power of the Soviet state."

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## In One-Day International

# Turner, Edgar pilot Kiwis to easy victory

WELLINGTON, Feb. 23 (AFP) — New Zealand never gave England the slightest chance when they knocked up victory by a stunning 103 runs in the One-Day Cricket International against the tourists at the Basin Reserve here Wednesday.

The win was prepared by New Zealand openers Glenn Turner (94) and Bruce Edgar (60), who put on a New Zealand record for an opening partnership One-Day stand of 152. New Zealand scored an enormous 295 for six off their allotted 50 overs, while England's attack petered out at 192.

Turner, who scored his 94 off the same number of balls, was again judged man of the match, after winning the award in the first tie of the series of three One-Day games. New Zealand skipper Geoff Howarth sent tailend batsman Lance Cairns in after the opening partnership was broken and the big hit obliged with a quick 44.

England struggled from the start in chasing almost six runs an over, and once Ian Botham (15) and David Gower (2) were dismissed,

## Score

New Zealand:	
G. Turner b Willis	94
B. Edgar run out	60
L. Cairns b Willis	44
J. Wright b Miller	30
G. Howarth c Botham b Jackson	12
J. Coney not out	31
I. Botham & Botham	9
W. Lewis not out	3
Extras	15
Total (for 6 wkt)	295
Bowling: Willis 9-0-54-2; Jackson 10-2-38-1; Miller 10-0-51-1; Botham 7-0-46-1; Marks 7-0-34-0; Pringle 7-0-57-0.	
England:	
C.J. Tavar c Howarth b Botham	32
D.L. Gower c L. Cairns	15
D.I. Gower c & b Botham	2
A.J. Lamie b Coney	7
D.W. Randall c Howarth b Morrison	16
L.J. Gould c Wright b Coney	14
G. Miller c Botham b Botham	46
V.J. Marks c Soden b Webb	11
D.R. Pringle c Webb	11
R.D. Jackson b Cairns	9
R.G.D. Willis not out	2
Extras	11
Total:	192
Bowling: Soden 10-1-37-0; Cairns 10-0-38-3; Webb 7-0-27-2; Botham 7-1-28-2; Coney 5-0-17-2; Morrison 5-0-34-1.	



Hanif.. fighting 144 in vain

## Pak Saudi lifts Alireza pennant

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Feb. 23 — Pak Saudi won the Alireza Cricket League pennant for the first time. But it was touch and go before they managed to etch their name on the trophy. The team which ran them close was Tibama. Who from a seemingly hopeless position, gave Pak Saudi palpitations before succumbing by 34 runs.

The trophy looked to be in Pak Saudi's bag when Shahbaz led the run spree with a scintillating undefeated 127. This was his third century in the league. Shahbaz's effort along with Ajeeb (35), Nisar (39) and Aizaz (30 not out) boost Pak Saudi's total to an imposing 270 for three in the allotted over.

Tibama were on the verge of making things much easier to the last year's runner-up when they crashed to a dismal 75 for five against an accurate Pak Saudi attack. At this stage Hanif stepped in to revive Tibama's sagging morale. Hanif nearly single-handedly transformed the course of the game with a bright display of powerful batting.

Seven sixers and 15 boundaries were spread around lavishly in his breezy 144 before he fell to Rizwan's yorker while attempting another big hit. Hanif's exit saw Tibama fold up meekly, and Pak Saudi breathe a sigh of relief which mingled with elation. Rizwan finished with four for 52.

ACE registered a facile 145-run victory over Petromin for their second successive triumph of the season. With their batsmen showing grit and determination, ACE piled up 224 for seven in their quantum of 40 overs.

Vali (75) emerged the top scorer, with Frank (35) and Yunus (38) pitching in. Frank then excelled with the ball to send Petromin tumbling for a paltry 89. Only Farid stood up valiantly against Frank's leg cutters for 41. The latter finished with a haul of five for 17.

Bank Aljazira conceded a walkover to Shafiq in the third scheduled tie of the week.

## Windies hit by injuries on Test eve

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 23 (AFP) — The West Indies, worried about the fitness of their top batsmen Vivian Richards, and leading fast bowler Michael Holding, delayed naming their final team Tuesday for the first cricket Test against India.

Richards is expected to play despite the fact that his right thumb, fractured earlier in the season, has only just been removed from a plaster cast and is still sore. But Holding, who has taken 139 wickets in his 31 Tests and would be the strike bowler, will have to undergo a final fitness Test for a strained muscle Wednesday morning before a final decision will be taken.

The two injuries are a setback to the home team but they still remain strong favorites for

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## In British Championship

# Robson out to bottle 'rush' of goals

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AFP) — England manager Bobby Robson has paid Welsh striker Ian Rush the compliment of naming a substitute specifically to match him for pace for the home championship Football International at Wembley here on Wednesday night should Liverpool's goalscorer sensation prove too quick for Terry Butcher and Alvin Martin.

Martyn Bennett, the tall, speedy 21-year-old West Bromwich Albion defender, is the man who could step from the touchline to win a first cap should the 25-goal Rush surge past the more experienced first-choice central defenders.

"I'm not saying that he will be too quick for them, but he is a thoroughbred among center forwards and Bennett gives us a safeguard," said Robson.

The England manager rates Rush as "good enough to get into the Italian attack alongside Rossi." But while Rush, the English First Division's leading scorer, and Fulham striker Gordon Davies, who has hit 15 goals so far this season, are among the league's in-form finishers, Robson believes his young midfield is capable of creating the sort of chances Paul Mariner and Luther Blissett can turn into goals, despite their patchy club form.

## Shergar owners file \$28m damage suit

DUBLIN, Feb. 23. (R) — The owners of the champion racehorse Shergar, stolen two weeks ago, are claiming damages of 20 million Irish pounds (\$28 million) from an Irish local authority, the authority's spokesman said Wednesday.

The owners' syndicate lodged the malicious damages claim with Kildare County Council, which administers the region containing the Aga Khan's Ballymany Stud where Shergar was taken, the council spokesman said. The sum claimed represents nearly double the horse's nominal value, held in 34 shares of which the Aga Khan owns six, and appears to be based on estimated loss of stud fees if the horse has been killed or badly injured.

## Irrked Gloria quits, but....

LISBON, Feb. 23 (Agencies) — Portugal soccer team chief Otto Gloria resigned Tuesday but said he would lead the squad in a friendly against West Germany and review the situation afterward.

Gloria, a 57-year-old Brazilian resigned because big clubs Benfica and Sporting withdrew the cream of players of his national squad, claiming they were ill or unfit. "The players are not to blame in this situation and I do not want to abandon them for the game. I will be on the bench during the game as an outgoing trainer and afterward will review the decision depending on what happens."

While the West Indies' 38-year-old captain Clive Lloyd leads his team for the 50th time in Test cricket, the Indian captain, dynamic 24-year-old Kapil Dev, will skipper India for the first time. He replaced batsman Sunil Gavaskar as skipper after the Pakistan series.

Team:

India: Kapil Dev (Captain), S. Gavaskar, A. Gaekwad, M. Azarnia, D. Venkatesh, Yashpal Sharma, R. Shastri, S. Kirmani, B.S. Sandhu, Maninder Singh and S. Venkatapathy.

West Indies (Run): C. Lloyd (Captain), G. Greenidge, D. Haynes, V. Richards, L. Gomes, A. Logie, T. Payne, J. Dozier, M. Marshall, J. Garner, A. Roberts, M. Holding, W. Davis and R. Harper.

## English soccer results

	Division Two	0
Crystal Palace	3	Bolton
Leicester	3	Stratford
	Division Three	2
Portsmouth	3	Huddersfield
	Scottish Premier Division	2
Dundee	0	Firhill

international terms could spice up a game that struggles to catch the imagination in the same way as the annual England-Scotland clash.

Teams:

England — Peter Shilton (Southampton, captain); Phil Neal (Liverpool), Alvin Martin (West Ham), Terry Butcher (Ipswich), Derek Statham (West Bromwich), Sammy Lee (Liverpool), Gary Mabbutt (Totteham), Gordon Cowans (Aston Villa), Alan Devonshire (West Ham), Luther Blissett (Watford), Paul Mariner (Ipswich).

Substitutes: Ray Clemence (Tottenham), Martyn Bennett (West Bromwich), Ricky Hill (Luton), Bryan Stein (Luton), John Barnes (Watford).

Wales: Neville Southall (Everton); Joey Jones (Chelsea, captain); Paul Price (Tottenham), Kenny Jackett (Watford), Kevin Ratcliffe (Everton), Robbie James (Swansea), Bryan Flynn (Bunbury), John Mahoney (Swansea), Mickey Thomas (Stoke), Gordon Davies (Fulham), Ian Rush (Liverpool).

Substitutes: Dai Davies (Swansea), Nigel Vaughan (Newport), George Berry (Stoke), David Giles (Crystal Palace), Leighton James (Sunderland).

Times Wednesday as saying he doubted the claim would succeed, particularly as there was no evidence Shergar had been harmed.

An anonymous telephone "caller" in Northern Ireland claimed yesterday Shergar was stolen that the horse had been put down after injuring himself. There was no evidence the call was genuine. A Kildare County Council spokesman said it would fight the claim and the amount up to the supreme court if necessary.

He said even if the case went against the council it would be liable only for a maximum of 120,000 pounds (\$165,000) and the state would pay the rest.

Shergar was due to have covered some of Europe's most valuable horses this season.



Shergar... returns with a bang

## Barcelona advances

MADRID, Feb. 23 (R) — West German midfielder Bernd Schuster celebrated his return from a three-match suspension Tuesday night by scoring a goal to help Barcelona into the quarterfinals of the Spanish Soccer Cup.

Miguel Álvarez opened Barcelona's tally against Getafe in the 23rd minute of their third round second-leg tie. Schuster, suspended after he was sent off in the "goalless first leg," netted the second with a free-kick seven minutes before halftime.

Real Madrid, the holders also qualified, beating second division Cadiz 4-1 in extra-time after a 1-1 stalemate in the 90 minutes of normal time. The first leg was 0-0.



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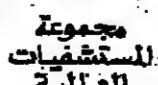
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*As Woolridge spearheads the charge*

## Bulls knock glitter off Nuggets

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (AP) — When the Chicago Bulls and Denver Nuggets play, there had better be fresh light bulbs in the scoreboard.

The two teams, ranked next-to-last and last in defense in the National Basketball Association, signed the nets for the second time this season Tuesday night, taking 213 shots before the Bulls prevailed 144-133 at Chicago Stadium.

The Bulls, who lost to the Nuggets 132-124 in Denver in December, got 31 points from Orlando Woolridge and 23 from David Greenwood and Reggie Theus to offset 37 points by Kiki Vandeweghe and 31 from NBA scoring leader Alex English for Denver. Chicago outrebounded the Nuggets 51-43.

### Brian Hayward foils Islanders' victory attempt

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (AP) — Winnipeg rookie goaltender Brian Hayward turned aside 37 shots Tuesday night, including a pair of spectacular third-period saves within a span of five seconds, to preserve the Jets' 2-2 National Hockey League tie with the New York Islanders.

Elsewhere in the NHL, Minnesota's Brian Bellows scored two goals and Bobby Smith notched the clincher with just 43 seconds remaining to lift the North Stars to a 3-2 victory over the Detroit Red Wings.

Calgary goaltender Don Edwards and Lanny McDonald were the heroes, as the Flames crushed the Edmonton Oilers 4-1 action-packed game that erupted into a bloody bench-clearing brawl.

Meanwhile the Vancouver Canucks set a club record for most power play goals in a season when Stan Smyl and Ivan Hlinka scored in the first period en route to a 6-3 triumph over the St. Louis Blues.

Marcel Dionne set a NHL record for the most seasons with 40 or more goals as the Los Angeles Kings scored a 5-3 win over Boston. And center Keith Action scored his 17th and 18th goals as the Montreal Canadiens produced one of their finest defensive efforts of the season to a 6-1 victory over the Quebec Nordiques.

### Knefeman triumphs

BREIZHES, France, Feb. 23 (AFP) — German Knefeman of the Netherlands won the "Tour Mediterranean" cycle race here Tuesday.

Knefeman led the field home in the final leg, the day's second half-stage, a 23 km circular race starting and finishing here, to overtake the previous leader, his compatriot Stephan Roos.

Roos had to settle for third place as Zemekelis grabbed him of second place.

**Phoenix 112, Bucks 105:** Walter Davis scored 15 of his 29 points in the fourth quarter to power Phoenix over Milwaukee. Davis also hit a jumper at the buzzer ending the third period to give the Suns an 87-83 lead.

**Sonics 117, Clippers 101:** Gus Williams scored 27 points and Lonnie Shelton 21 as Seattle easily defeated San Diego. Fred Brown had six points as the Sonics scored the last nine points of the third quarter to take an 86-70 lead into the final period.

**Nets 111, Pacers 108:** Albert King led New Jersey with 26 points, including a 12-foot baseline jumper with 23 seconds left that lifted the Nets past Indiana.

**Warriors 109, Hawks 97:** Joe Barry Carroll scored 26 points and Portland beat Houston despite a spurt of 22 straight points by the Rockets.

### NBA standings

Eastern Conference					Western Conference				
Atlantic Division					Midwest Division				
Philadelphia	W	L	Pct.	GB	San Antonio	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	46	7	.868	—	Kansas City	27	26	.509	5
New Jersey	39	14	.736	7	Dallas	26	28	.481	6%
Washington	34	20	.630	12½	Denver	26	30	.464	7%
New York	25	29	.472	21	Utah	19	37	.339	14%
Milwaukee	25	29	.463	21½	Houston	10	45	.182	23
Central Division					Pacific Division				
Los Angeles	36	19	.655	—	Los Angeles	40	12	.769	—
Detroit	26	28	.481	9%	Portland	24	21	.518	7%
Atlanta	25	29	.463	10½	Phoenix	33	23	.589	9
Chicago	20	35	.364	16	Seattle	31	24	.564	10½
Indiana	16	39	.291	20	Golden State	23	32	.418	18½
Cleveland	13	41	.241	22½	San Diego	19	37	.339	23

### All-England Open

## Top spots for Forst, Ailing

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AFP) — All of last year's champions will be back to defend their titles in this year's All-England Open Badminton Championships which will be held at the Wembley Arena here from March 23-27.

The champions are Denmark's Morten Forst in the men's singles, China's Zhang Ailing in the women's singles, Malaysia's Sidek brothers, Razif and Jaihani in the men's doubles, and England's Martin Dew and Gillian Gilks in the mixed doubles.

Morten Forst and Ailing have been given top places in the singles but the top spots in the doubles have all gone to other teams. Thus, in the men's doubles, Sweden's Thomas Kihlstrom and Stefan Karlsson, have been given pride of place while the Sideks are only placed third.

In the women's doubles, England's Gilks and Gillian Clark have surprisingly been preferred to another English pair, Nora Perry and Jane Webster, who hold the world title, and to the holders, the Chinese getting only third place.

In the mixed, the new combination of Tomas Kihlstrom of Sweden, and Nora Perry, of England, are seeded No. 1 ahead of the title-holders.

Several stars will be missing from this year's "All-England". They are Jan Jian of China, one of the outstanding players of the Thomas Cup, and Fleming Delfs of Denmark, as well as the Indoesean pair of Tjun Tjun and Waydui, who won the men's doubles title no less than six times. It is believed that the Indoeseans, as well as some of the Chinese, are being kept at home preparing for the World Championships in May 23-27.

The Wembley tournament used to be considered the unofficial championship of the world until the advent of the official world tournament, and the London even now has to take second place, although an All-England title is still coveted.

### The Seedings:

**Men's Singles:** 1. Morten Forst (Denmark), 2. Liem Swie King (Indonesia), 3. Iku Sugiantoro (Indonesia), 4. Luan Jin (China), 5. Prakash Padukone (India), 6. Chen Changjie (China), 7. Misbiru Sidek (Malaysia), 8. Li Yongbo (China).

**Women's Singles:** 1. Zhang Ailing (China), 2. Li Ling Wei (China), 3. Han Aiying (China), 4. Lena Koppen (Denmark), 5. Wu Jianqiu (China), 6. Xu Rong (China), 7. Wu Dixi (China), 8. Kirsten Larsen (Denmark).



Peter McNamara... falls at first hurdle.

## Clerc, McNamara axed on a day of surprises

DELRAY BEACH, Florida, Feb. 23 (AP) — Upsets continued in the opening round of play in the \$300,000 Gold Coast Cup Tennis Tournament as Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina and Peter McNamara of Australia were eliminated Tuesday night.

Clerc, ranked No. 3 in the tournament and fifth in the Nistdorf world computer ratings, was beaten by southpaw Van Winitsky 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 in a contest interrupted twice by downspouts. McNamara, seeded eighth, lost to Peter Fleming 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

In another Tuesday match, second-seeded Yannick Noah of France downed West Germany's Damir Keretic 6-1, 6-2. Noah is the tournament's defending champion. Fifth-seeded Brian Gottfried became the third upset victim among the event's top eight seeds, losing 7-5, 6-2 to Robert Van't Hof.

On Monday, seventh-seeded Brian Teacher lost to Chris Dunn, and No. 8 Mel Purcell fell to Drew Gitlin. Also posting victories Tuesday were fourth-seeded Eliot Teltscher, who beat Bruce Foxworth 6-3, 6-4; and No. 9 Henri Leconte of France, who beat Stan Smith 2-6, 6-3, 6-1.

The tournament runs through Sunday and carries a \$32,000 winner's prize. The runner-up will receive \$16,000.

In Oakland, California, unseeded Anne Smith and Sandy Collins upset seventh-seeded Barbara Potter and eighth-seeded Yugoslav's Mima Janscovic respectively to advance in the \$150,000 Virginia Slims of California Tournament. Smith defeated Potter 6-3, 7-6, while Collins beat Janscovic 6-3, 6-2.

In other matches, Anne White downed Ginny Purdy 6-4, 6-2; Andrea Temesvari of Hungary outlasted Carling Bassett of Canada 7-5, 6-4 and Kathy Jordan rolled past Eva Pfaff of West Germany 6-1, 7-5. The tournament will run through Sunday, with \$30,000 to the singles winner.

Meanwhile, Didier Pironi, the French racing driver whose legs were crushed in an horrific accident before the West German Grand Prix last August, hopes to return to Grand Prix competition before the end of 1983.

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From Cambodia

## Vietnam announces partial withdrawal

HANOI, Feb. 23 (AP) — Leaders of Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam on Wednesday announced an annual partial withdrawal of Vietnamese troops from Cambodia in view of "an improvement in security" in that country, at the end of a two-day Indochinese summit in Vientiane.

The meeting which began Tuesday in total secrecy was the first summit between the three countries since Communist governments came to power in 1975.

However, Hanoi's 150,000 to 180,000 soldiers would remain on Cambodian soil as long as China continued to be a threat, informed diplomatic sources in Hanoi said.

The Indochinese countries issued a communiqué listing conditions for a total withdrawal: An end to the Chinese threat, an end to the use of Thai territory by the Cambodian resistance and of aid to the resistance movements and the guaranteeing of Cambodia's borders after peace.

Cambodia and Vietnam have agreed that partial withdrawals should take place every

year on the basis of the development of Cambodia's security, the sources said.

The first withdrawal would take place this year, the countries decided, but the exact date, venue and number had yet to be specified. News of the proposed withdrawals was contained in two decisions adopted by the summit on the "presence of voluntary troops from Vietnam in Cambodia."

In Bangkok, Thai Foreign Minister Sithi Sawetasilpa expressed doubt on future partial withdrawals of Vietnamese troops from Cambodia.

Speaking to press, Air Chief Marshal Sithi Sawetasilpa said Vietnam had announced a partial withdrawal last year, but fighting continued to rage on the Thai-Cambodian border with Thai military reports suggesting that Vietnamese troops had been strengthened and equipped with better weapons.

"From the reports we received and from what they (Vietnamese) say, I cannot tell if this (withdrawal) is true," he added.

### Ustinov alleges war threat

## Soviets can build any weapon

MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (Agencies) — Soviet defense Minister Dmitri Ustinov said Wednesday the Soviet Union had the ability to build any sort of weapon and stressed the need for troops to be trained to handle complicated modern arms.

"The ability to hit the target with the first shot and to make the best use of mobility,

## Japan reports Russian buildup

TOKYO, Feb. 23 (R) — A significant Soviet military buildup is under way in the Far East, Japanese Defense Minister Kazuo Tanikawa told a parliamentary committee Wednesday.

Speaking at an ad hoc security affairs committee meeting he said the Soviet Union had deployed between a quarter and a third of its nuclear and conventional strength in the Far East, including SS-20 medium-range nuclear missiles.

"There is a marked increase in activity by Soviet forces in the Far East, increasing the potential threat," he said. Japanese defense sources said recently that the Soviet Union had deployed about 90 SS-20 missiles in the Far East.

Tanikawa reaffirmed Japan's opposition to a Soviet plan announced last year, to transfer some of its Europe-based SS-20 missiles to Siberia if an agreement was reached for reduced missile deployment in Europe.

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International

## Tribals' fear led to Assam massacre

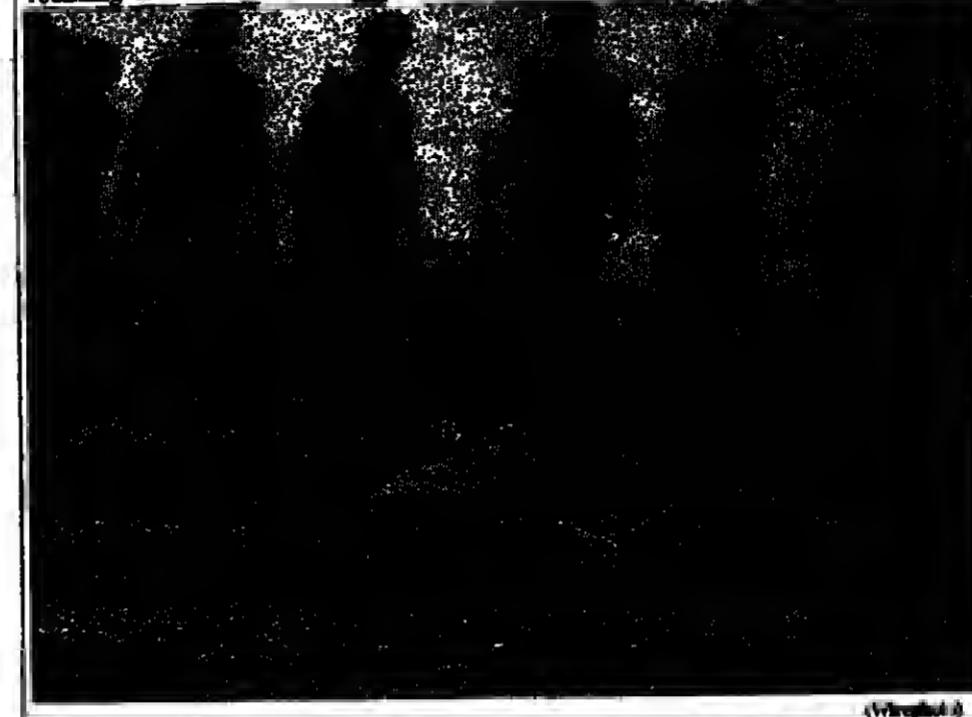
GAUHATI, India, Feb. 23 (R) — Fear among Indian tribesmen that Bangladeshi immigrants were taking over their land led to last week's violence in central Assam in which at least 500 villagers died.

The slaughter around Nellie, in the central Nowongong district of Assam, also resulted partly from fears that a militant ethnic Assamese campaign against immigrants would one day engulf the tribes people too, analysts said. The Nellie massacre was the worst single episode in violence surrounding elections to the Assamese state

assembly which were opposed bitterly by anti-immigrant Assamese.

Although many people in the three-week violence died in Hindu-Muslim clashes and when police fired on attacking crowds, the most numerous and gruesome killings were by tribemen. A few days before the Nellie incidents, tribal groups in a different part of the Brahmaputra River Valley massacred an estimated 100 Hindu Assamese around Golpur.

There was no single target of the various bouts of tribal fury, but there was a common



INNOCENT VICTIMS: Paramilitary forces locate a woman with her baby lying dead in a paddock field in Nellie village in the northeastern state of Assam after the carnage of Saturday.

## Angola,S.Africa confer again

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 23 (Agencies) — South African and Angolan delegations met in the Cape Verde Islands Wednesday for talks on the conditions for peace along the troubled Namibian (Southwest African)-Angolan border. Foreign Minister Piki Botha said in Cape Town.

He was answering questions about the long-awaited second meeting between the two countries following talks in Cape Verde on Dec. 7. Botha said the South African delegation would return home before the end of the week.

The South African delegation is led by the director general of foreign affairs, Hans van Dalsen, assisted by the ambassador to the United States, Brand Fourie, other foreign affairs department officials, and members of the South African defense force. An Angolan delegation led by Deputy Foreign Affairs Minister Venancio de Moura arrived in the Cape Verde Islands on Tuesday.

The talks are taking place against a background of fighting in northern Namibia, where the South African defense force says it has killed 129 members of the black nationalist Southwest Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) who infiltrated the territory from Angola. Two defense force men have died in the operations.

The first round of talks between South Africa and Angola took place on the Island of Sal in Cape Verde on Dec. 7, when the Pretoria team headed by Botha himself.

The opposition *Rand Daily Mail* said Wednesday that the decision not to send a cabinet minister to the renewed talks was regarded by some observers as a sign of South African anger at the opening of a new offensive by SWAPO in northern Namibia.

Botha said last week chances for a ceasefire on the Namibian border with Angola had dimmed in light of "recent events."

The aim of the latest round of negotiations is for a ceasefire agreement in the region, which would not only bind the South African troops and SWAPO but also the South African-backed Angolan UNITA guerrillas fighting the Luanda regime.

The ceasefire would be a prelude to that called for in United Nations Security Council resolution 435 on Namibia, and would have an experimental value in order to re-establish the mutual confidence which is presently lacking between Pretoria and Luanda, according to Botha. The foreign minister also said that SWAPO's agreement was not indispensable to the arrangement between South Africa and Angola.

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#### Gulf

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It was clear from the two-day consultations that the UAE and Qatar were strongly in favor of defending the Gulf interests and cut the price, even if there is "a possibility of a price war," Oteiba said. Taqi of Iraq said that "the current \$34 barrel market price is no longer feasible, yet every one is trying to reach an agreement."

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The Bank of England's trade-weighted index, a basket of currencies of Britain's major trading partners with a 1975 base of 100, closed Wednesday at 80.1 compared with Tuesday's four-year low of 79.7. Trading in sterling has been erratic as dealers tried to assess the effects of oil price cuts on the British economy.

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**Cheysson to brief Italians**

ROME, Feb. 23 (R) — French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson will brief his Italian counterpart, Enzo Colombo on his recent meeting with Soviet leader Yuri Andropov during talks here Wednesday, an Italian Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

In Moscow earlier this week, Cheysson became the first senior Western official to hold formal talks with the new Soviet leader since Leonid Brezhnev died in November.

Cheysson is due to arrive here Wednesday evening and his talks with Colombo are expected to go on late into the night. He will leave Friday morning.

The Italian government's determination to site U.S. Cruise missiles in Sicily has put the country in the front-line of a strategic control propaganda war between Andropov and U.S. President Ronald Reagan.

Cheysson's lightning visit was arranged last week when Colombo accompanied Prime Minister Amintore Fanfani and Italian economic ministers on a two-day visit to France, the ministry spokesman said.

French President Francois Mitterrand has urged NATO to go ahead in launching 572 new medium-range nuclear missiles in five Western European countries, including Italy. France is not part of NATO's military command.

Cheysson's talks in Moscow covered East-West disarmament negotiations and France's intention of a nuclear strike force, which Soviet leaders insist should be constrained by NATO's annual.

Soviet-U.S. relations also strained by recent Italian media allegations of Soviet involvement in the May 1981 attack on Pope John Paul II were aggravated last week by the arrest of Soviet citizen for spying.

The man, an employee of the Soviet airline Aeroflot in Rome, was the first Soviet citizen to be arrested in Italy on espionage charges. Some 200 Soviet spies are usually expelled.

In another development involving the Soviet Union, Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov and Greek President Constantine Karamanlis conferred on international and bilateral issues in Athens on Wednesday.

**Afghans demonstrate**

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23 (AFP) — Hundreds of Afghan refugees staged a demonstration here Tuesday to protest the invitation to the Kabul government to next month's nonaligned summit here. They burned a Russian flag outside the Soviet House of Culture on their way to the demonstration.

The leaders of the Afghan refugees said they also planned to stage a demonstration on the opening day of the summit March 7 unless the invitation to the Kabul regime was withdrawn.

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